

COL. SAMUEL SHOCH.

In 1842 he married Mrs. Hannah Evans, mother of Amos Stuyvesant, five years after he was married to Miss Annie E., daughter of Robert Barber, of an old Columbia family, who still survives. No children blessed either union; but many young men have been the subject of his generous patronage and liberal aid.

THE VENERABLE COLUMBIAN DIES AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS OF SUFFERING.

A Brief History of His Busy Life—Prominent in Religious, Business, Political and Social Circles.

COLUMBIA, Pa., May 21.—Col. Samuel Shoch died this morning at ten o'clock, from gangrene. Until two months ago he seemed to retain his faculties unimpaired and to enjoy excellent health for a nonagenarian. More recently his condition had been a source of intense anxiety to his wife, relatives and many friends.

He was an honorary member of Gen. Weidick post, No. 118, G. A. R. In 1809 he was a member of the state committee of the Republican party and a delegate to the national convention at Chicago which nominated Abraham Lincoln.

Since his retirement from active business life he has lived happily in his pleasant home on Locust street. He was always devoted to the violin and he often entertained his friends with a fine organ of his own making. In 1862, visiting all places of interest in the country. A few months ago, at the occasion of the ninety-first birthday of General Simon Cameron, he wrote some poetry, which was published in a number of papers.

The portrait of Col. Shoch, above printed, was made for the Columbia Herald about a year ago from a picture presented to Editor G. by Col. Shoch, and considered by him to be "his best." The colonel at the time was even so much interested in having this portrait correct that he made a visit to the engraver in Philadelphia and personally examined and approved the work. The engraving was loaned the INTELLIGENCER by the Herald.

PROBABLY FATALITY INJURED. Allen Whitmyer's Skull Fractured in a Runaway—Stolen Goods Found. From the Litzke Record.

Allen Whitmyer, who lived on the farm of John H. Erb, near Sandoverville, On Wednesday morning while about to start away with horse and wagon, the horse ran off and found his way into the yard, striking a post and breaking the coupling pole.

The driver became entangled in the lines and the horse was lying between the front wheel and the person in the wagon condition. Dr. Hertz, of Lexington, was sent for, who found that he sustained a compound fracture of the arm near the shoulder and had fractured his skull. Dr. Brobst was called in consultation. He may recover, but is not out of danger.

On Wednesday morning A. R. Humberger, whose hardware store was robbed a week before, received information that a young man named Wayne Whitecraft, living near New Haven, was offering for sale knives and pistols to his neighbors. A warrant was issued and Constable Helman proceeded to his home. When they entered the house he was seen running away and made his escape. The officer of the law then entered the house and searched the premises, succeeding in finding in an upstairs room a double-barrel gun that was among Humberger's missing goods.

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When the news of the burning of the capitol at Washington reached Harrisburg, public excitement rose to high water mark. Francis R. Shunk, who was then a land office clerk, gathered together a drum, flag and marched his recruiting band through the streets. Everybody seemed to fall in, and among the first companies which marched out of Harrisburg one had enrolled in its membership Shoch and Shenk. Of all its long roll Col. Shoch is the last survivor. The Harrisburg troops served three months, and Private Shoch fought in the artillery. He got 100 acres of public land, and with great pride he regularly drew \$24 quarterly, in reward of the patriotism he exhibited when a lad of 17.

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From his youth up Col. Shoch has been an easy writer of remarkably vigorous prose and graceful poetical composition. He was a leading contributor to The Patriot's paper and other publications of his party, as the state capital, and supplied innumerable resolutions, toasts, arguments and speeches to the great demands of the day. He became absorbed in politics, and in 1835 became candidate of his party for clerk of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. In his contest he was pitted against Francis B. Shunk, who held the place for 17 years, but the Whig and anti-Masonic combination was complete and Shunk was beaten.

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After the convention adjourned, Mr. Shoch found that his abandoned law practice and forsaken clientele had become demoralized. He went to Lancaster to consult about its future with the late Ennash C. Reigart and the late Hon. H. G. Long, whose friendship he had made when they were members of the convention. The cashier of the Columbia Bank and Bridge company had just resigned his position, and Mr. Reigart advised him to proceed to Columbia and apply for the position.

The mystery attending the death of Dr. Philip H. Cronin was deepened in Chicago on Thursday night by the discovery that he had been shot by a party, and that there is absolute certainty that the party was not straggled. It is added that the doctors are completely puzzled.

Court to-morrow. Court will meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock for the transaction of current business and the calling of the judgment docket.

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THEY ORGANIZE.

ONE HUNDRED WOMEN FORM THE CLASSICAL WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Mrs. Writman Choana President—Prohibition Discussed by Lancaster Class of the Reformed Church.

MANHEIM, May 24.—Yesterday's morning session was opened at 8:30 o'clock. The Rev. J. C. Shively, pastor of the church, presided. The report of the minutes was laid on the table, and the committee on overtures reported two communications from First church, Lancaster, and the Willow Street church, asking that a more suitable basis for appointments be adopted.

In view of the great evil which the liquor traffic brings upon this church and state, and whereas the prohibition of the total prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage is constitutional amendment, and that we are of the opinion that this class favors the giving of this question prayerful consideration.

The chairman appointed the following committee: On Organization—Mrs. M. G. Holsing, Mrs. A. Kline, Mrs. A. A. Myers, Mrs. J. S. Stahr, Mrs. Geo. Kunkel.

On Enrollment—Mrs. E. Y. Gerhart, Mrs. Dr. J. C. Shively, Mrs. J. M. Tittel, Mrs. Dr. Gerhard, Miss Barbara Bauman.

The following were enrolled as members of the society from the churches named: St. Paul's Church, Elizabeth—Miss Alice Elmslowe, Mrs. Mary A. Hertler.

St. Paul's Church, Manheim—Mrs. A. Kline, Sue Koerner, Mrs. J. C. Shively, Mrs. H. W. M. Hill, Mrs. M. A. Weist.

First Church, Steubenville—Miss Margaret Sangree. New Providence Charge—Mrs. G. W. Hensel.

Mrs. Dr. Writman was elected president, Mrs. H. M. Hill secretary, and Miss Annie Nissley treasurer. After other business required to put the society into working order the society adjourned.

While the women were in session in the lecture room of the church, the class heard the reports of various committees, which were of no special interest to the public.

At the opening of last evening's session the president, Rev. J. W. Meininger, took the chair. The committee to supply the Maytown charge reported that they had attended to their duties, and that on January 29, 1889, the Rev. J. F. Mackey, M. D., from Lancaster, Pa., was installed pastor of the church.

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Over an Embankment. Last evening H. Ward, whose home is at 25 North Seventh street, Philadelphia, and Miss Bertha Brady, of 123 South Thirty-sixth street, had an exciting adventure on the Lancaster turnpike near Berwyn.

The Grand Lodge to Hold Its Next Session in Pittsburgh. The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania held its 11th annual session in York on Thursday. A resolution was passed permitting members to wear their regalia on Memorial and Independence days.

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PROBABLY A RUSE.

A Young Man Supposed to Have Drowned Himself.

The Berks county coroner has had a force engaged all Thursday afternoon in dredging the Schuylkill river canal at Reading for the body of a supposed suicide. The search was caused by the discovery of a coat, shoes, hat and bottle of laudanum on the river bank Thursday morning, with several letters indicating that one O. S. Shearer had committed suicide.

In one of the pockets of the coat was found a Philadelphia & Reading railroad ticket, purchased May 11, for one passage between Manayunk and Bridgeport, also a "teacher's ticket." The laudanum bottle bore the label of "Deale & Lambert, druggists, Philadelphia." The articles found are supposed to have belonged to O. S. Shearer, who came to Reading from Lancaster county, and who was a clerk in a Philadelphia store at one time.

He was married at Manheim a short time ago, to a young woman named Ida Leeds. She was about 30 years of age. His age is given as 23, and he is described as a fine, well built, intelligent, and amiable.

In one of the letters Shearer intimates that his wife has been unfaithful to him, and that his home has been broken up. It has been ascertained that when Shearer left Manheim with his bride he proceeded to Philadelphia, where he was a clerk in a store. In a long letter addressed to his mother, he speaks of having been duped badly in his marriage, and that he is "prompted by a superior power to become his own destroyer; fifty divorces would not heal the wound which he has sustained, and that the last heard of his wife she was at the Washington house, Phoenixville."

I have tried every conceivable way to clear my mind from the shock, but that black, demoralizing spirit annoyed me till life and its interest have entirely faded away from me, and rather than die and be buried in a thousand times, and the only way that gives me relief is to snap the tie that binds me to earth and go to that blessed land where they neither marry nor are given in marriage, where life shall come out of death and joy out of sorrow, as God commanded. A terrible meditation—when heart is linked to heart and afterwards turned into a plaything with every temptation woven around the heart.

The writing is that of an educated man. There was no trace of nervousness about the letters, the writer having evidently gone coolly about his preparations for jumping into eternity. Footprints in the sand on the tow path of the canal were found, which had the appearance of having been made by a man in his bare feet. Superintendent Smith of the canal, who is the coroner for permission to draw off the canal, but replied that the company was not in the habit of doing that, although he did not say they would refuse in case it was thought necessary.

After unsuccessfully searching until nearly midnight, the body of the man, the coroner's party discontinued operations until Friday morning, when the Schuylkill canal will be drawn off—Superintendent Smith finally conceding that this should be done.

Ida Leeds, the woman to whom Shearer was recently married, comes from Manheim, where her mother now lives, but she is a widow, and her father, John Shearer, she lived here for considerable time with the past three years and worked in cigar factories most of the time. She and her husband lived together for a time over a grocery store at 250 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, but they left anything for a happy life. The husband applied for a divorce, but his wife's lawyer stopped proceedings by showing that he had no case. Shearer, it is said, had been for some time separated from his wife, and the latter, a few months ago, took a situation at the Washington hotel, Phoenixville, as cook. Her husband found out her address and called upon her.

She is believed by many that Shearer has not taken his life but is merely trying to frighten his wife.

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AND THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS MAY AGAIN UNITE.

The Assembly in New York [Notified of the Adoption of a Report Favoring Cooperation of Southerners.

New York, May 24.—The lively discussion on the question of co-operation with the Southern church, which took place yesterday's session of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, was the cause of bringing a large audience to the Crosby's church this morning, in anticipation of hearing a continuance of the debate.

Almost the first thing done was the reading of a telegram from the stated clerk of the Southern assembly, now in session, announcing that that body had adopted a majority report in favor of co-operation in matters of publication, by a vote of 99 to 27. This statement was received with applause.

Debate on the third section of the majority report on co-operation in the evangelization of colored people was continued through the first two sections, co-operation in home and foreign missions, were adopted yesterday. The report is the same as that adopted by the Southern assembly. Rev. Dr. Jos. T. Smith, chairman of the committee to draw up the report, held that the matter of separate churches was desired by the colored people themselves.

Rev. Dr. Stryker, of Chicago, said he would vote for no report that asked one Christian to stand aside at the communion table in favor of another. He moved to strike out the part of the report which reads, "while conceding the existing situation in the Northern assembly it approves the policy of separate churches, presbyteries and synods, subject to the choice of the colored people themselves."

After some further discussion, Dr. Stryker's amendment was adopted by a vote of about 400 to 50. With this exception the paper as a whole was adopted, and the report as a whole was also approved. Dr. Miller, of New York, F. E. Leiby, of Kansas City, H. S. Smith, of Baltimore, Hartford 5, Newark 3, Lowell 7, Easton 5, Worcester 9, Wilkesbarre 6; Jersey City 1; New Haven 2. Cuban Giants 8, Reading 1.

The Cuban Giants arrived in Lancaster from Reading this morning and are playing a game with the Lancaster as we go to press. They will also be here to-morrow. Yeates Institute and Franklin and Marshall college yesterday played a game on the college grounds, on Thursday afternoon at the end of the third inning with a score of 40 to 12, in favor of F. and M. academy. The nine representing Yeates were Reese, Traggner, McGovern, Brubaker, Hannesville, Stauffer, Foels, Calder, and McMillan. F. and M. academy's nine consisted of Miller, S. W. Weller, F. E. Leiby, Humphreys, Hartle, Weaver, Houck, Goodell and Foust.

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The Appropriations and Revenues. Auditor General McCannant has furnished Governor Beaver with an estimate of the revenues for the coming two years in order to give him in time to make up his appropriation bills which will be taken up to-day. The appropriations, including that of the national guard, which is a continuing appropriation, and which is \$1,200,000, amounting for the two years to \$2,400,000. This leaves \$1,977,832.10 to be paid out of the general fund.

Auditor General McCannant has estimated the total revenues for the next two years applicable to the general fund as \$1,131,000. Of this amount \$5,498,000 is credited to the sinking fund, which is \$6,629,000. Commonwealth suits are pending involving taxes of former years of about \$700,000. If these are decided in favor of the state, that amount will be added to the revenue for the next two years, and the sum would be \$1,831,000, leaving an excess of appropriations of \$1,146,532.10. With this deficit Governor Beaver is expected to make up his appropriation bills which will be taken up to-day.

A Colored Pastor Stranded. Rev. A. Walker, colored pastor of Zion church, of Allentown, Pa., went to the conference at Allentown, Pa., of the bishop, a week ago Monday. Last week a letter was received by a member of the board of trustees saying that unless an amount sufficient to pay his way home was sent him he might not return. It was understood that the church members in Worcester, Mass., after the conference had closed, and nothing having been heard from him since, it is believed he is still on his way, the meeting of the letter had been to the meeting of the board, and it was decided to hold a festival and transmit the net proceeds to his pastor. Friday night was agreed upon for the date, but on account of unfavorable circumstances necessitated a postponement, and next Tuesday night was substituted. The festival will be held in the church on Washington street.

Could Not Prove the Charge. William and Heben Bowler were heard by Alderman Halbach on Thursday evening on charges of robbing the Confedrate Bricker, while he was asleep on a step on South Queen street, on Saturday night. The commonwealth was unable to connect the accused with the theft and the alderman dismissed the case.

At His Post. BERNE, May 24.—Mr. John D. Washburn, the new American minister to Switzerland, presented his credentials to President Hamner to-day.

Killed by Lightning. TUSCALOOSA, Ill., May 24.—George Curtis and the team he was driving, were instantly killed by a bolt of lightning which fell on his farm near Murdock.

INDICATIONS. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 24.—Warner, fair, followed by showers on Saturday; southwesterly winds.

Three Big Offices Filled. PENNSYLVANIANS RECEIVE APPOINTMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The president to-day appointed: B. F. Gilkeson, of Pennsylvania, to be second comptroller of the treasury; S. B. Holladay, of Pennsylvania, to be custodian of customs, treasury department.

David Martin, of Pennsylvania, to be collector of the internal revenue of the Philadelphia district. Among the fourth-class Pennsylvania postmasters appointed to-day were the following: George Taylor, Amasa; A. G. Rothrock, Lancaster; George W. Brindle, Carlisle Springs; Clayton Williams, Erwinville; J. C. Harvey, Harveyville; Margaret Bland, Monocacy; E. S. Kitchen, Lumberville; S. K. Morrow, Oakville; H. M. Burkhardt, Shoemakersville; William H. Hone, Strasburg; W. J. Allen, Sweet Valley.

THE CROWN MURDER. Ec-Police Inspector Bonfield's Speculations on the Waterloo Tragedy. CHICAGO, May 24.—In the course of an interview on the Cronin case ex-Police Inspector John Bonfield said: "From all we know now of the case it is safe to say that it was either a political assassination, the result of some private cause. Now, if he was a member of a society that was split up into two factions and the leaders of one faction wanted him removed, does it seem probable that they would dare attempt such a thing while he had so many close friends who would be supposed to know all that he knows? Killing him would not bury the truth. His companions would have to be in possession of the information which he is supposed to possess; then again, suppose the entire society had become convinced that it was for the good of all that he be out of the way, would they have intrusted the deed to such a tough as this man Black or Woodruff? Now, if it was a political assassination, a number of prominent men would place themselves in a position to be hanged by procuring the assistance of a cheap jail-bird to do the work. No, sir; it would be well to go to work and discover where each one of the suspected persons were upon the night of May 4. Then there is still another idea. Suppose that a number of men who had removed should go to work to convince other members of the society that after all Cronin was an English spy, that all of his bluster about misappropriation of the Irish relief funds was nothing more or less than a part of his scheme to create a disturbance, cause an investigation and thus learn the true disposition of the funds here, what would not the English government give to know just what funds have been raised here and for what purpose?"

DEFEATED IN YORK.

The Lancaster Club Unable to Hit Stiverette—The Cubans Here To-day.

The Lancaster and York clubs played their second game on York yesterday, and the home team did not have much trouble winning. They put Stiverette, their best pitcher, in the box and the Lancaster boys could do but little with him. On the other hand, Kilroy was hit hard, especially in the fifth inning, when four runs were made which secured the game for the home club. The score is as follows:

YORK. LANCASTER. R. H. E. A. R. G. Inning, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. Total 5 10 24 25 7 4. D. Donnell, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0. G. Kilroy, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0. S. Stiverette, 2, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0. C. Kilroy, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0. R. Kilroy, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0. T. Kilroy, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0. Total 5 10 24 25 7 4.

Results of ball playing yesterday were as follows: Cleveland, 8; Philadelphia 2; Pittsburgh 1; Athletic 9; St. Louis 8; Kansas City 3; Baltimore 10; Louisville 4; Hartford 5; Newark 3; Lowell 7; Easton 5; Worcester 9; Wilkesbarre 6; Jersey City 1; New Haven 2. Cuban Giants 8, Reading 1.

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A beautiful great past sachem's ash with gold medal and two \$50 bills were presented to the order by George W. Kresmer, a great chief of records, A. P. Stewart, No. 27; Andrew J. Baker, No. 7; Thomas K. Donnelly, No. 16; C. L. Hayden, No. 142; Grand Sachem, Wm. C. Stewart, No. 228; Kresmer, Philadelphia. Seventy-five nominations were made for great representatives, four to be chosen.

The Appropriations and Revenues. Auditor General McCannant has furnished Governor Beaver with an estimate of the revenues for the coming two years in order to give him in time to make up his appropriation bills which will be taken up to-day. The appropriations, including that of the national guard, which is a continuing appropriation, and which is \$1,200,000, amounting for the two years to \$2,400,000. This leaves \$1,977,832.10 to be paid out of the general fund.

Auditor General McCannant has estimated the total revenues for the next two years applicable to the general fund as \$1,131,000. Of this amount \$5,498,000 is credited to the sinking fund, which is \$6,629,000. Commonwealth suits are pending involving taxes of former years of about \$700,000. If these are decided in favor of the state, that amount will be added to the revenue for the next two years, and the sum would be \$1,831,000, leaving an excess of appropriations of \$1,146,532.10. With this deficit Governor Beaver is expected to make up his appropriation bills which will be taken up to-day.

A Colored Pastor Stranded. Rev. A. Walker, colored pastor of Zion church, of Allentown, Pa., went to the conference at Allentown, Pa., of the bishop, a week ago Monday. Last week a letter was received by a member of the board of trustees saying that unless an amount sufficient to pay his way home