

TWO FAMILIES IN DANGER.

THEY ARE ASSAULTED FROM FLAME WHILE THEIR HOUSES ARE BURNING.

Mrs. Hall and Her Son Make a Very Narrow Escape - A. J. Huffnagle Also Given Timely Aid by Neighbors.

There was quite a destructive fire in the northwestern part of the city at an early hour this morning, and fireworks undoubtedly was the cause of it. It was about one o'clock when flames were seen issuing from the frame building of the house of Mrs. Christina Hall, a widow, at No. 314 West Walnut street. The house is a one-story brick, and is one of a row of four, all of which are alike and have frame back buildings. The fire was first seen by Geo. Lafever, of Mulberry street, and he raised an alarm. Charles King and William Ellis, who live near the house, were awakened, and when they arose they saw what was wrong. They soon found that the Hall family, which consists of Mrs. Hall and her son Harry, were yet in their beds. The young men quickly awakened them, and they were assisted from the house in time to prevent themselves from being burned to death or suffocated. The house was already filled with thick, black and stifling smoke. Next to Mrs. Hall lives A. J. Huffnagle. He and his family were also in bed when the fire began traveling towards them, and it was with great difficulty they were gotten out before it was too late. An alarm of fire was struck from box 25, at Mulberry and Chestnut streets, and the firemen quickly responded. The fire was very stubborn and as it was under the roof at four or more elapsed before it could be extinguished. After the families occupying the different houses had been taken out safely, the people of the neighborhood went to work with willing hands to remove the furniture and other household goods. Mrs. Hall's house was almost entirely consumed and only the front part of the roof, which was of shingle, remains. The furniture, with the exception of that which was in the back building, was saved. That which was burned consisted of a mahogany sideboard, tables, chairs, cupboard, etc. Mrs. Hall did not have a cent of insurance on her house or contents, and her loss will reach at least \$500. She had insured at one time, but the policy expired and was not renewed. The house occupied by Huffnagle is owned by his mother-in-law, Mrs. Barbara Herzog. The damage to it is almost as great as to Mrs. Hall's. The back building is larger and it is more than half burned away. The roof is burned entirely off in the back. Both houses were insured with the water. Mrs. Herzog has an insurance of \$600 in a company which is represented by Aug. Reinhold. Next door to Huffnagle, on the west, live Miss Jennie McConsey and her sister. The roof of their house was partly burned off and it was also well water-soaked. The house is owned by John Kanis, who has an insurance. Next to the Misses McConsey lives Mrs. Welshmayer, who keeps a little store. She suffered some from water. There was a great deal of shooting of fireworks in the neighborhood of these houses last evening, and it is supposed that a spark from them caused the fire.

AN ACCIDENT ON THE RAIL.

EX-COUNTY COMMISSIONER Henry F. Hartman's son Killed at Witmer Station.

Christian, son of ex-County Commissioner Henry F. Hartman, of East Lampeter, died this morning at 8 o'clock from injuries received on Friday evening. He lived with his father, about a mile north of Witmer Station, and on the afternoon of the fourth left his home and took the cars at Witmer Station for Lancaster. He was in the city until the evening train left, on which he went home, arriving at Witmer's at 8 o'clock or shortly afterwards. Here he is supposed to have gotten off the train, but no one has yet been found who knows exactly. The facts will likely be brought out at the coroner's inquest. Young Hartman was not seen again for half an hour, at which time Christian Musselman, living near the station, heard a man groan. He walked to the railroad tracks and found Hartman between the tracks with one leg crushed and cuts on his head. He was unable to get him to the neighborhood, and Dr. Harry Musser was summoned. This physician made an examination of the injured man and pronounced him fatally injured. He lingered until 8 o'clock this morning, when he expired. The injured man was unconscious when found and never recovered consciousness. It is not known how the accident happened, but the supposition is that he was struck by a freight train that passed shortly after the arrival of the train on which he was a passenger. Deceased was about 23 years of age and a single man. He worked at his father's lime kiln and was well known in this city and the eastern section of the county. He was an active Democrat and a valuable assistant to his father in polling the Democratic vote of the district. Coroner Honaman was notified and he went to Witmer Station this afternoon to hold an inquest. Disappearance of a Cigar Manufacturer. John M. Shoemaker, cigar manufacturer at Manheim, absconded on Wednesday night and left a number of unpaid bills as a legacy. He was connected with the Knights of the Golden Eagle and American Mechanics organizations, and was secretary of the Mechanics until last Monday, when he resigned. Up to the time of the death of his wife, less than a year ago he prospered. Since then he has become dissipated and neglected his business. Prior to his departure he transferred all his effects to his employees in payment of what he owed them. Converted into cash they will pay about 50 per cent. of their claims. Rule to Stay Proceedings. Judge Livingston in chambers today granted a rule to show cause to strike off proceedings in forfeited recognizance in which A. G. Speidel is defendant and stay proceedings on July 21. Speidel was under bail to appear in court to answer a charge of embezzlement. He failed to appear and his recognizance was forfeited. His bail now for legal reasons asks a stay on the suit already brought against him to recover the amount of the recognizance. Trial Trip of the "Lady Gay." John B. Peoples' new steamboat for the Conestoga made a successful trial trip late on the afternoon of the fourth. The mechanics employed worked from early morning to complete it in time for a trip before the 4th had passed, and they finished their labors sufficiently to allow the trip to be made about 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The boat went from near Potts' as far as the dam at the water works and there the finishing touches will be put on it. In a few days it will be in running order for passenger travel and under way to the bridge. The boat on the trial trip drew ten inches of water. It is of good size and will be in demand. The boat was christened the "Lady Gay" by Miss Sallie Maud Sides. Prof. Haas and the Liederkrantz. In our account of the singer's first mention was made of the connection of Prof. F. W. Haas with the Lancaster Liederkrantz. He was the able and efficient leader and conductor of the society for the period of eight years, during which time he was very successful in his efforts for the cultivation of singing.

THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Proceedings of the Regular Monthly Meeting Held Thursday Evening.

The July meeting of the school board was held on Thursday evening. Mr. McKillip reported that the school buildings had been examined. The wood work of the new street building needs painting and the inside of the high school requires either painting, kalsomining or papering. The committee is of opinion that papering is the cheapest and recommend a plain paper of light shade for all the rooms, with the vestibules and halls painted in a soft color. The following figures show the number of tons of coal consumed in the school buildings for the school term ending June 30: Manor street, 4 rooms, 25 tons; Rockland street, 4; 34; South Prince street, 4; 16; West Walnut street, 4, 30; West James street, 4, 20; Ann street, 4, 50; New street, 4, 30; East Lemon street, 12, 80; Chestnut and Prince street, 4, 30; African, 1, 5; South Duke street, old buildings, 90; South Mulberry street, old buildings, 90; high school building 45; West Chestnut street, new system, 94. These 64 tons were consumed since the first of January. At this rate it would require 120 tons during the school term of each year. This system of heating is entirely new. It requires time and experience to reduce it to about one-half, say 60 tons. There is no room to reduce this quantity of coal used, and at the same time to have the rooms comfortably heated. Where the same system is in use in other cities pea or bituminous coal is used, and the committee favor the use of pea coal. Mr. Willis is expected to give the janitor proper instructions, and explicit orders how to use it so as to reduce the quantity and at the same time to heat the room properly. The committee also reported that the Rockland street school yard is too small, and that 60 feet of ground adjoining can be bought at \$10 per foot. On motion of Mr. McComsey the committee was authorized to make all necessary repairs. Dr. Annie M. Irvin, of Curwinstown, Pa., has been spending some time with Mrs. A. E. Irvin, of East King street. H. M. Houser, attorney for J. Frank Reist, issued a writ of replevin to-day for laundry machinery in the possession of A. C. Hershock. It is valued at \$500, and bail in double the sum is demanded. The directors of the Lancaster Crematory and Burial Association, who have elected the following officers: President, D. G. Eshleman; vice president, J. Max Hark and W. U. Hensel; recording secretary, J. D. Pyott; corresponding secretary, H. C. Brubaker; treasurer, W. A. Heinlich. Officers Wash Pyle and Gilbert arrested George Whitman, John Gallagher, John Shaffner and Michael Kelly on Thursday night for train riding. Alderman Deen gave all except Shaffner ten days in jail. Shaffner is a Lancaster man, and he paid the costs. C. W. Wilson, of York, superintendent of the Prudential Insurance company, well known in Lancaster, in endeavoring to jump on a moving train, yesterday, fell and one foot was crushed. He will be disabled for some time. Among the passengers on board the mail train west at 9:31 this morning were a number of Philadelphia court officers who were being taken to the county jail. They were being taken to the Huntington reformatory. John Crosswell, a son of William Crosswell, who is employed in the Lancaster caramel factory, had his hand caught in the machine on Thursday afternoon. He had the end of one thumb almost cut entirely off and a forefinger was broken. Dr. George P. King attended him. In honor of the admission of Idaho as a new state, Johnny Martin, of the Relay house, yesterday added an additional star to the flags that he hung out. These were probably the only flags in town that had the 11 stars still on them. Henry Noltz issued a writ of replevin for a buggy in the possession of Ulrich Bitzler to-day, and the sheriff put Mr. Noltz in possession of the vehicle. Thrashed His Boarder. A German known as Wilhelm, employed at Groetinger's tannery, was injured last evening by Wm. Nagle, of No. 627 South Queen street. He boarded at Nagle's and on Friday evening went home on foot. He assaulted Mr. Nagle, and in self defense Nagle used a hatchet on his assailant and used him up badly. Wilhelm is able to be about to-day, but feels sore as a result of the thrashing he received. Trinity Lutheran Church Excursion To Reading, Mineral Springs Park and Mt. Penn Gravit railway on Thursday, July 10th. Train leaves Gravitville at 6:30 a. m.; fare, \$2. Lancaster (King st.), 7:45 a. m.; Lewis Colburn at 7:45 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Landisville, a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Manheim, 8:21 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Little, 8:33 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Ephrata, 8:58 a. m.; fare, 90 cents. The above rates include street car fare, with directions and 8 mile ride on the Gravit railway. J587,84

DEATH OF BENJ. CHAMPNEYS.

For 31 Years He was Connected With the Lancaster County, Pa., Bank.

Benjamin Champneys, a well known and highly respected citizen, died suddenly at his residence No. 37 East Orange street, late on Thursday afternoon. He had complained for a few days of a pain in the region of the heart, but nothing serious was apprehended. He was about to leave for his home on Thursday afternoon, and a few minutes after an attack of heart disease. Deceased was a native of Lancaster, and was born on June 28, 1828. His father was one of the prominent men in the commonwealth in his day, having been judge of the Lancaster courts in 1830, state senator in 1842 and attorney general of the commonwealth, by appointment of Governor Shunk. The subject of this obituary notice chose business for an occupation and in 1849 was appointed to a clerkship in the Lancaster County National bank. He remained in this institution, being advanced from time to time until he became a teller. He held this position in 1880, when he retired. Since then he has not been in active business. Mr. Champneys was devoted to books and thoroughly familiar with the best of literature. A polished gentleman and uniformly courteous in demeanor he was highly esteemed by those who knew him, and although falling sight and a sensitive disposition made him something of a recluse, his ever familiar figure passing along the street will be missed by many. He leaves to survive him two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Wm. Aug. Altes, Miss Annie and one brother, Edward Champneys. His funeral took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The pall-bearers were Chas. J. Swarr, Dr. H. B. Parry, Henry E. Shaver and E. P. Brinton. Rev. Dr. Mitchell conducted the services and the interment was made at Woodward Hill cemetery. DEATH OF SAMUEL MOORE. One of the Lower End's Oldest Citizens Passes Away. RAWLINSVILLE, Pa., July 4.—Samuel Moore, father of Mrs. John Hart, of this village, and father of D. M. Moore, formerly of the Swan hotel, Lancaster, died at the home of Albert Thomas, yesterday, at the age of 88 years. His interment will take place at the Rawlinsville burial ground to-morrow. Wilton Wike and John Strine, of Columbia, spent the week at their farms near Rawlinsville. The Fourth was not celebrated in this village as has been usual for some years. The Rawlinsville Democratic society swung to the breeze their beautiful flag and there were hearty cheers for the stars and stripes. In the evening "Young America" made quite a big noise with crackers, Roman candles, etc. There was a display of fireworks and a picnic in the grove near Union hotel this evening. The attendance was large. Matthias Shirk, one of the oldest residents of Martic township, is critically ill at his home here. Martic House, of Martic township, has a turkey hen, not yet ten months old, which has laid 71 eggs. Miss Lizzie Shirk, of Rawlinsville, has a geranium of the "Princess" variety which has 41 bunches of bloom. A. H. Breneman, of Philadelphia, is visiting his former home here. The farmers are continuing a want of hands to get their harvest away, and in some places are offering as much as \$2 per day for help. A Child Run Over. This morning a little child of Lewis Walker, of No. 211 North Mulberry street, attempted to cross the street in front of Jagnow's bakery wagon. It fell in front of the animal, but he stepped very carefully over the child and did not touch it. The child was so badly struck that the little one, however, cutting and bruising it quite badly about the head, face and leg.

COLUMBIA'S BIG FIRE.

The Flint Mill in That Borough Burned On Thursday Night.

At an early hour on Thursday evening, the first mill in Columbia, which was owned and operated by a company, was destroyed by fire. The building was of brick and frame, and was 90 by 130 feet in size. The flames inside great headway, and it was impossible to check them until it was entirely destroyed. The firemen did good work in saving adjoining property, however. Shuman's large flour mill and several dwelling houses were on fire at times, but the flames were extinguished before any great damage was done. The Acme oil works are in the same neighborhood, but they were not in danger at any time, as the wind was blowing in the direction of the mill. The mill was running when the fire broke out, and spread so rapidly that it was impossible to turn off the machinery. Above the roaring of the flames could be heard the rumbling noise of the machinery, and as the frame work fell away it could be seen working. The first mill had been doing an extensive business and they were kept so busy filling orders that they were obliged to work both night and day at times. The loss is estimated at \$20,000, and the insurance will only cover it partially. The fire was caused by the machinery becoming heated and blowing in the direction of the mill. Policies for \$5,000 expired on July 24 and were not renewed. The company operating the mill had an insurance of \$6,000. The buildings and contents are totally destroyed, nothing being left but the walls of the first story. Henry Seiple fell down a forty-foot embankment while running to the fire, and cut a terrible gash in his head. He is able to be about this morning. Frank Rotenborn fell into the mill race near the fire, and was severely bruised. LIMITED LOCALS. The pension of Philip Myers, Lancaster, has been increased. Dr. Annie M. Irvin, of Curwinstown, Pa., has been spending some time with Mrs. A. E. Irvin, of East King street. H. M. Houser, attorney for J. Frank Reist, issued a writ of replevin to-day for laundry machinery in the possession of A. C. Hershock. It is valued at \$500, and bail in double the sum is demanded. The directors of the Lancaster Crematory and Burial Association, who have elected the following officers: President, D. G. Eshleman; vice president, J. Max Hark and W. U. Hensel; recording secretary, J. D. Pyott; corresponding secretary, H. C. Brubaker; treasurer, W. A. Heinlich. Officers Wash Pyle and Gilbert arrested George Whitman, John Gallagher, John Shaffner and Michael Kelly on Thursday night for train riding. Alderman Deen gave all except Shaffner ten days in jail. Shaffner is a Lancaster man, and he paid the costs. C. W. Wilson, of York, superintendent of the Prudential Insurance company, well known in Lancaster, in endeavoring to jump on a moving train, yesterday, fell and one foot was crushed. He will be disabled for some time. Among the passengers on board the mail train west at 9:31 this morning were a number of Philadelphia court officers who were being taken to the county jail. They were being taken to the Huntington reformatory. John Crosswell, a son of William Crosswell, who is employed in the Lancaster caramel factory, had his hand caught in the machine on Thursday afternoon. He had the end of one thumb almost cut entirely off and a forefinger was broken. Dr. George P. King attended him. In honor of the admission of Idaho as a new state, Johnny Martin, of the Relay house, yesterday added an additional star to the flags that he hung out. These were probably the only flags in town that had the 11 stars still on them. Henry Noltz issued a writ of replevin for a buggy in the possession of Ulrich Bitzler to-day, and the sheriff put Mr. Noltz in possession of the vehicle. Thrashed His Boarder. A German known as Wilhelm, employed at Groetinger's tannery, was injured last evening by Wm. Nagle, of No. 627 South Queen street. He boarded at Nagle's and on Friday evening went home on foot. He assaulted Mr. Nagle, and in self defense Nagle used a hatchet on his assailant and used him up badly. Wilhelm is able to be about to-day, but feels sore as a result of the thrashing he received. Trinity Lutheran Church Excursion To Reading, Mineral Springs Park and Mt. Penn Gravit railway on Thursday, July 10th. Train leaves Gravitville at 6:30 a. m.; fare, \$2. Lancaster (King st.), 7:45 a. m.; Lewis Colburn at 7:45 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Landisville, a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Manheim, 8:21 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Little, 8:33 a. m.; fare, \$1.50. Ephrata, 8:58 a. m.; fare, 90 cents. The above rates include street car fare, with directions and 8 mile ride on the Gravit railway. J587,84

MARKETS.

Table with columns for Market, Price, and other details. Includes items like Apples, Potatoes, and various meats.

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including American Express, Pullman, and others.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Various small advertisements including Doersom Carriage Works, Music Catalogue with New Edition, and other business notices.

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