

THREE LARGE BARN BURNED NEAR ZION

A Disastrous Conflagration Starts on Monday

DESTROYS THE SEASON CROPS

Carried Sparks Over a Half Mile and Ignites Other Buildings—Most of Live Stock Was Rescued—Created a Panic.

Monday about noon Spring township was visited by a conflagration that destroyed three of the largest and best barns to be found in Nittany Valley, located near Zion, on the back road leading from Pleasant Gap to Hecla, and the unusual occurrence caused much excitement among residents of that section. The fire originated at the Benjamin Kauffman barn where John Yearick and the men were engaged in threshing out the crop. Mr. Yearick, in an interview with a Centre Democrat representative, says they had just stopped for dinner and he was looking about the engine to see that everything was right, prior to leaving, when he discovered fire in the power house, which was about twenty feet from the engine. Mr. Yearick called for help and they immediately formed a bucket brigade. The water supply, was limited and thus the fire gained headway. When one of the men opened the door to the power house a heavy gale of wind rushed in to fan the flames, and in less than fifteen minutes the whole barn was a mass of angry flames. Mr. Yearick, and those around him started for the stable and succeeded in getting everything out except a calf belonging to Henry White, tenant, and Mr. Yearick's horse which was a fine beast. The men had him to the door several times but each time the animal would break loose and run back into the stable. The last time the men had to give it up and let him perish in the smoke and fire. Mr. Yearick's threshing machine with the other farming implements were taken from the barn, but in some way the thrasher afterwards took fire and burned. The hay, straw, wheat, oats and other grain went up in the smoke. Mr. Garbrick says that how the fire got into the power house is a mystery as he tried to be as careful as possible with reference to firing the engine. As Mr. Henry White, the farmer, had a share in the crops his loss is considerable.

Almost simultaneous with the burning of this barn Mr. Garbrick and Mr. Kauffman and others looked in the direction of Horace Kauffman's farm, about one half mile North east, and they saw that his barn was ablaze. Mr. Kauffman had just come from the field and was un hitching the horses when he discovered the fire. Mr. Kauffman and his employees succeeded in saving the live stock and some of the farming implements but the entire crop of the season was destroyed together with the barn.

To add to the consternation, the barn on the farm of Henry Garbrick, which is farmed by his son Roy Garbrick took fire. This barn is located about one hundred rods away from the Horace Kauffman barn, and when Mr. Garbrick and his employees saw the Kauffman barn on fire they started over to render assistance to their unfortunate neighbors when about half way between the two places, Mr. Garbrick looked back, and you can imagine his surprise to see his own barn on fire.

They ran back in time to save the live stock. They had been hulling clover seed and the clover huller, belonging to Harvey Keller, of Pleasant Gap, was destroyed together with the other farming implements, hay, straw and grain.

The citizens who resided in that vicinity being powerless to stay the progress of the flames took the precaution to telephone to Bellefonte for the fire department to be in readiness in case needed. The Central Railroad of Pennsylvania had an engine and a car ready to take the firemen to the scene at a moment's notice but their services were not needed. This will be a memorable day in the history of these three families. The loss on the barns is practically covered by insurance in the Grange Insurance Co.

A sympathizing neighbor expresses the belief, that neighboring farmers will tender the sufferers aid by sharing feed for stock, in this their dire calamity. Benjamin Kauffman's loss is about \$5000 with \$1400 insurance. Horace Kauffman's loss was about \$5000 and the insurance is between \$900 and \$1000. We were unable to secure the exact loss and insurance of Mr. Garbrick.

A Bloody Encounter.

The bloody battle that was waged at the Milton fair on Thursday, is told as follows by the Milton Standard of Friday evening: "On Labor day there was a row at Loganton between some of the Troxells of Union county, and a crowd of Jamisons from the lower end of Clinton county. They met on the Milton fair grounds and there was an ugly row. It occurred near the merry-go-round, where some of the participants were employed. There was such a crowd on the grounds that it was all over before the police got wind of the trouble.

As a result of the fracas one of the Troxells has an ugly cut in the back of the head and another one a deep gash on the forehead that will disfigure him for life. It required 11 stitches to close this wound. One of the other side, named William Frain, of Lewisburg, has an ugly cut clear through the left cheek and a cut on the back of the head, and the other one is badly battered and kicked about the body, has his left side "stoved in" several ribs fractured and badly bruised about the groin. The principals in the affair are all pretty badly punished.

Sheriff Sharpless was on the ground and was appealed to by the association to preserve order, and his presence prevented a resumption of hostilities an hour later. The association may have the whole aggregation arrested.

CEO. HEINTZLEMAN AT SCHOOL.

George Heintzleman was a unique personage at the recent reunion of the boys in blue on Grange Park. He is a native of Harris township, and in 1854, when he was a lad of about sixteen years, he went west with his parents. On reaching manhood he wandered to the South, and when the war broke out he was below the Mason and Dixon line. The South needed men of the Heintzleman type and he was pressed into service. On the first opportunity Heintzleman left the southern ranks and enlisted in an Illinois regiment, serving to the end of the war.

At the close of this service he located in northern Iowa, engaged in farming, prospered, and is now living retired and with his wife, a western lady, is enjoying the fruits of his labor.

Prior to 1854 Heintzleman attended school at Linden Hall, being a pupil on whom the birch was occasionally laid lengthwise diagonally. On one occasion he and a number of his school chums barred the teacher, Thomas Holihan, from the school house. Holihan was a man of great determination, and made every effort to gain admittance through both force and strategy, but failed. Finally a flag of truce was hoisted, and the imposed conditions of surrender were that the entire school be treated to ginger bread. Holihan sent Heintzleman and his mate to David Young's at Boalsburg, for the ginger bread. The delicacy was carefully stacked in a homespun sack, and on a stick on the shoulders of the lads the burden was carried to the school house, between two and three miles distant. Before the school room was reached, the boys were drenched by a rain, and the ginger cakes were flattened to a mass of dough. The division among the scholars was made by Mr. Holihan, and how much each received can be told by the living pupils, each of whom is now old enough to speak for him or herself. J. Shannon Boal, Capt. George M. Boal, Henry Potter, Centre Hall; John Davis, Miss Lizzie Davis, Furgus Potter, Wm. Ross, John Ross, Linden Hall; John Potter, Milesburg; Squire A. W. Murray, Lemont; Col. John Stuart, State College; Enoch Hastings, George Hastings, Charles Eckenroth, Bellefonte.

Father and Son Injured.

George Stanley and son, Charles, of Roland, came within an ace of being ushered into eternity very quickly on Friday afternoon. In the morning they walked to Howard with the purpose of securing work either at the Howard Iron works or at the brick yards. They remained in that vicinity until late in the afternoon when they started up the road to the farm. While walking along, what is known as the six foot path, below Howard station, the train, which reaches Howard at 4.14, came along and struck them both, throwing the son on one side of the track and the father on the other. Cason Smith, the engineer, put on the breaks and several times blew the whistle for them to clear the track but instead of keeping off, the father and son stepped on the track. The son on seeing the mistake of his father, made an attempt to grab him and pull him off, but before he had time to accomplish his purpose the train hit them. They were picked up and brought to the Bellefonte hospital by Drs. McEntire and Kurtz, of Howard. When a thorough examination was made by the physicians it was found that neither of them was fatally injured. The father had his right leg broken between the knee and the ankle and badly bruised and cut about the head and face. The young man got off with several scalp wounds and a number of bruises about the face and body. The young man left the hospital this week but it will be sometime before the father will be able to leave. Mr. Stanley is about 54 years of age and his son is about 24.

State Defeated.

Saturday the Carlisle Indians and the State College football teams battled on the gridiron at Williamsport before an audience of five thousand enthusiastic spectators. A train of eleven cars containing over nine hundred students left State College in the morning over the Central Railroad of Pennsylvania. The State College Cadet band accompanied the party which helped to enliven the occasion. They made things howl down there but it amounted to little, as State was downed by a score of 5 to 13. This was owing to the fact that several of State's men were out of the game. The sensational play of the game was a 60 yard run made by McCleary for a touchdown, the only score State made. For the Indians, Houser was a star, being responsible for 12 points of the redmen's score on three plate kicks. Mount Pleasant and Xenidine were both good ground gainers.

First Gunning Accident.

While Alfred Wilson and Charles Long, railroaders, were resting on a log in the woods near Saltillo, Huntingdon county, the other day, engineer W. D. Long, Charles' brother, saw the tail of a squirrel hanging from Wilson's pocket, but not the men, and fired. The charge of shot found lodgment in Long and Wilson's faces and necks. They were taken to the hospital at Altoona and will recover.

10,776 Saloons in New York.

A census compilation made public shows that Cleveland and San Francisco lead all other cities in the number of saloons as compared with the population, but that New York actually leads with 10,776. These are the bureau's figures for 1915; San Francisco had 16,756; New York had 195,256 arrests, of which 32,316 were for intoxication.

In Memoriam.

A fitting monument now marks the last resting place of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Evans, in the Salem cemetery, near Penn Hall, placed by their children, Rev. Dr. L. K. Evans, J. W. Evans and Rev. John M. Evans in connection with Rev. Dr. D. M. Wolf, who had his home in the departed ones and to whom they were as a father and mother.

THE WINDING UP OF SEPTEMBER COURT

Several Important Cases Tried and The Verdicts.

\$3000 AWARDED JOS. NEFF

For Injuries Received in a Railroad Collision at Roland—Correction of an Error Made Last Week—Reported by S. D. Gettig.

J. F. Barber and C. W. Barber, co-partners, trading as J. F. Barber & Co., vs. O. W. Good, Burton Bowman, T. H. Harter and Jacob Quiggle; testified. This action was brought to try the title to personal property in possession of Jacob Quiggle in Rush township. A feigned issue was framed to try the title as to who was the real owner thereof. Verdict on Thursday morning in favor of the plaintiff.

In the case of Joseph L. Neff of Roland against the railroad company, verdict was rendered on Thursday morning in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$3000.

Joseph Wade, who plead guilty last week to two several indictments, one of assault, and the other for assault and battery, was called on Monday for sentence but failed to appear, and it was learned that he had gone to the firemen's convention at Pittsburg. A bench warrant was issued and the sheriff brought Mr. Wade into court on Thursday morning, when his counsel stated that it was not the intention of Mr. Wade to flee the jurisdiction of the court, but he intended to be in court before court would arise for the week to receive his sentence. The court sentenced him for assault, to costs of prosecution and \$10 fine, and in the indictment for assault and battery, costs of prosecution and \$10 fine.

C. T. Aikens, admr. of etc. of P. F. Bottorf, deceased, vs. F. L. Black; cause continued by agreement of counsel under terms of settlement.

Frank Samuel and Silas M. Tomlinson, trading as Frank Samuel, vs. Bellefonte Furnace Company—continued generally, and ordered at the head of the list for second week of December term.

A. W. Gardner vs. Burdine Butler—continued generally.

W. T. Barddollar vs. H. C. Woomer and H. H. Woomer; it appears that defendant H. H. Woomer bought a horse, wagon and harness from the plaintiff several years since for \$175, and gave his note with his father, J. H. Woomer as surety. After the note became due the defendant paid \$40, which he alleges was for the wagon and harness, and further alleging that the horse was not a sound horse, having been guaranteed by Mr. Barddollar to be such. The plaintiff's testimony showed that the horse was sick a great deal of its time and finally died. The note having been entered of record by the plaintiff, defendant petitioned the court to open the judgment and let him in to a defense, which subsequent to argument was done and this trial ordered. The plaintiff alleged that the horse was perfectly sound while in his possession, and that he never knew that the horse had any ailments while he had him, and further that he had not guaranteed the horse. The case went to trial on Thursday morning. Verdict on Friday forenoon in favor of the plaintiff for \$175. Subsequently on application the court made an order for stay of execution for a period of three months.

CONCLUSION OF COURT.

The following cases were disposed of on Thursday and Friday of last week. James B. Archey vs. W. F. Martin; Henry Sills, vs. James B. Archey vs. same; the Huntingdon Bank, now vs. James B. Archey, vs. same. These three cases were tried at the same time and before one jury, and all three of these grew out of judgment notes which had been entered by Mr. Archey against Mr. Martin. Verdict on Friday afternoon in favor of the defendant.

Court adjourned Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

In our court reports last week we reported Jac. Walk charged with attempted rape, which is an error. The charge is attempt to defraud. Our reporter in looking up these cases looked over the judge's minutes where it was inadvertently written by the clerk in transcribing from the Quarter Sessions' minutes of the court "attempted rape," but the charge as it appears on the Quarter Sessions' minutes is "attempt to defraud," and we therefore hasten to correct the same, as the papers on file show that the charge is attempt to defraud instead of the other and more serious charge.

Two Injured in Wreck.

The high wind early Wednesday was the cause of a railroad wreck on the Perkiomen branch of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad, near Pottstown, in which one man was probably fatally injured and another seriously hurt. A tree was blown across the track and a train of four cars, all crowded, ran into it. The locomotive plunged down an embankment into the Perkiomen creek and the cars hung on the edge of the embankment. Edward J. Miller, fireman of the locomotive, received injuries that will prove fatal, and the engineer, M. L. Geissenbater, sustained a broken leg. No passengers were injured.

Killed Little Sister.

One of the sons of Benton Reichenbach near Shadel, Snyder county, was cleaning a target gun on Tuesday and having completed his task, left the gun standing alone for a moment. During his absence Dewey, a seven year old brother, picked up the loaded weapon and accidentally discharged it, the ball entering the forehead of his eight-year-old sister, Carrie, causing instant death.

There is a difference between a girl who is an angel and one who is fly.

CHILD LOST AND FOUND.

Monday morning Wellington Feidt, the little two and a half year old son of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Feidt of High street, went to his mamma and asked her if he could go and play with Raymond Jenkins, who lives two doors below. The mother being busy with her household duties, didn't pay attention to the child, but gave her consent thinking that he wanted to go across the street to play with little Margaret Hiller, at the Wilson home. A short time after the little boy had departed Mrs. Feidt called up the Wilson residence and was shocked to find he hadn't been there. The house was thoroughly searched but the child was not to be found. Dr. Feidt, having on hand an operation at the hospital, Mrs. Feidt at once made known the fact that the child was lost, and soon the entire neighborhood was aroused, who formed a searching party. Everything within the square was thoroughly searched, and for a short time there was considerable excitement. Hard Harris and Billy Runkle were so excited and enthused over the matter that they looked into ash barrels, lifted up boards on the ground and even made Dr. Feidt's big dog move from his resting place with the hope they might find the missing child, but of no avail. After a half hour of intense worry and anxiety on the part of the mother Wellington walked out of the Jenkins home laughing and calling for his mamma who was then the happiest woman in Bellefonte. The little fellow was not lost; he was only visiting.

Brockerhoff House Improvement.

The improvements at the Brockerhoff House are being completed and when finished Horton S. Ray, the proprietor, will have one of the most up-to-date hotels in this part of the state. On the second floor can be found two of the sweetest private bath rooms to be found in any public house. These are so conveniently located that they can be connected with either four rooms, or the bath can be used with separated rooms. These apartments have been furnished in the most elaborate style, and for the convenience of those who will occupy them from time to time. Mr. Ray intends to connect them with the outside world by telephone. The writing room is placed from the second floor to the first floor, in the room adjoining the office. It has tile floor, of a beautiful design, and papered and painted to suit the most fastidious taste. In the center of the room is a large desk and along the sides will be placed several individual writing desks. The chairs will be upholstered and the surroundings will be made neat and cozy. A small portion of the room has been cut off by a low partition for a private office for the landlord. Other improvements will follow.

Freshies Initiated.

With the beginning of the school year at State College the raw members of the freshman class are being put through a course of sprouts—in other words, they are being trimmed according to the latest rules of pruning. Hazing at the college varies somewhat from the prevailing customs at the larger universities. Peanut rolling, abbreviated dress and other nonsensical stunts are frowned upon asavoring of mollycoddledness. It was only the other day that a bunch of freshmen was captured and taken to a large field, in which a few bucking and wild colts were grazing. The boys were tied to the backs of the animals, and firecrackers were exploded. Not since 1906 was there so much excitement, and the spectators all agreed that the stunts performed by the victims put to shame any wild west performance ever given. It is said that the next batch of freshmen will be run through a threshing machine, and the affair will wind up with a thrilling chariot race, in which harrows and stone sleds will be used. In this way the wheat will be separated from the chaff, and the unfit student will be pulverized.

Another Fight On.

For years past there has been an effort to secure a license at either Beech Creek or Blanchard which has always met with strong opposition. Last week A. Robinson, of Driftwood, in company with Charles Bechdel, was in that place and secured an option on the property of the late Richard Berryhill, situated on Main street. The terms were \$200 cash and the balance January 1, the consideration being \$1,500. This building was used as a hotel 25 years ago, but since that time has been occupied as a dwelling and candy shop. The object of Mr. Robinson is to open a hotel, providing he can procure a license. With this end in view a petition is being circulated for signers for the application of a license. Beech Creek has not had a licensed hotel for more than 20 years. Three years ago the application of the late Robert Cole was refused by the late Judge Mayer. The present application will meet with a vigorous opposition.

Reunion of 1st Defenders.

On Saturday, Oct. 19, there will be a reunion of Co. H, 7th P. V. I., or what was known as the First Defenders, at Boalsburg. This company was composed of men from Centre Hall, Boalsburg and Bellefonte. The captain was the late Col. Robert McFarlane; when they went out to fight in defense of the Union the company numbered seventy-seven men. Only a little remnant of this brave company is left, possibly 20 or 22. The people of Boalsburg have extended a cordial welcome to the boys in blue to assemble there and have a royal time.

Great Attraction Coming.

Kleschna, the master thief, who is a prominent figure in "Leah Kleschna," Mrs. Fisk's famous play, that will be presented at the Garman opera house on Tuesday, Oct. 15, by Harrison Grey Fiske's special company, is represented in the play as having saved the lives of many people, at the risk of his own, in a big fire in Paris. This is classed as a strong attraction and is constructed along original and passing times.

LOCAL RAILROADS IN SENSATIONAL FIGHT

Nittany Valley R. R. Ties Up the Nittany Furnace

PENNA. R. R. TO THE RESCUE

With About Five Hundred Men And Several Trainloads of Supplies Suddenly Appear on Wednesday and Construct a Connection.

Wednesday morning a train of about forty cars pulled by two large locomotives arrived in Bellefonte over the Nittany Furnace railroad, on the train were from 300 to 400 men which had been gathered up along the way. A strange thing about it was that the men didn't know where they were or what they were to do until they arrived here and were put to work to build a new railroad from a point on the L. & T. railroad, near what is known as Reynolds' Mill, to the Nittany Furnace. This train also contained everything necessary to build a railroad, such as steel rails, railroad ties and lumber to build bridges. As soon as it became known that this army of men were at work there was considerable excitement in Bellefonte, and hundreds of people visited the busy and active scene. It was a curiosity to see these men at work, wading through a cinder pile which is ten to fifteen feet deep at some places, and did it in such a short time. Everything moved like clockwork.

Since 1899 there has been a legal question as to whether the track in the yard at Nittany Furnace belonged to the Furnace Company or to the Nittany Valley Railroad Company. In the same year the Nittany Valley Railroad Company filed a bill of ejectment against the Furnace Company, to restrain the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. from using the track inside the yard. M. I. Gardner, who has been acting in the capacity of superintendent of the Nittany Valley Railroad Co., and since that time he has been charging the Furnace Co., 10 cents a ton for everything that passed over this section of the road, which up to this time, amounts to thousand of dollars, and which the Furnace Co. has refused to pay, owing to the fact that they claimed the piece of road in dispute. In 1906 the case was tried in Bellefonte before Judge McClure, of Lewisburg, who, on the 31st of July of that year, filed a decree in favor of the Nittany Railroad Co. It was afterwards taken to the higher court which confirmed the lower court. In the face of these rulings the Furnace Co., continued to use the track and refused to pay the tonnage. The result was that Mr. Gardner received instructions from headquarters to lock the switches and lock their engines, used by the Nittany Furnace Co. in the roundhouse on the side of the hill. These instructions were carried out on Tuesday, the result of which was that nothing could be taken to or from the furnace, and unless something was done quickly the furnace would have to be banked and a large number of people thrown out of employment. The Furnace Company notified the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., of their predicament and the above is the result.

Judge Love, the attorney for the Nittany Valley Railroad Co., placed an injunction in the hands of Sheriff Kline to restrain the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., from proceeding to lay the track, but the Sheriff refused to serve the injunction and thus the men are still at work, making rapid progress. It is now a question what legal steps will be taken next. If the Pennsylvania Railroad Company is allowed to let their track remain the Nittany Railroad will be little or no use.

CENTRE COUNTY FAIR.

The Centre County Fair this year is a success in every particular. Monday the weather indications were anything but favorable, but Tuesday dawned clear as a crystal, giving renewed inspiration to both the managers of the fair and the people who had set their hearts on attending this annual outing. Wednesday the attendance was large, but today is the crowning day of all the crowd being much larger than for several years past. The exhibition is crowded with exhibits of all kinds which are of interest to everybody, especially the farmer. As usual the State College is represented by a large and varied exhibit. Charles Brackbill is on the ground showing the people what a good and convenient thing it is to have a modern, up-to-date kitchen cabinet and folding baby carriage, both of which are necessary for successful housekeeping. The music in the main building is furnished by M. C. Gephart, the music dealer. Another thing that attracts the people in this building is the fancy work done by ladies in Bellefonte and throughout the county; some of the workmanship, in this line is simply beautiful. Harris Sourbeck and his brother John are selling corncrips to beat the band. There are other individual exhibits that deserve mention but our space at this time will not permit, as our employees want to see the show walk.

A new feature of the fair is a separate tent for vegetables and everything raised on the farm. The display here is four or five times larger and better than any previous year. It is a pleasure to go through this department and see what can be grown in old Centre county. With care and attention our farmers can raise as many good things to the acre as they can in any other county of the state. The poultry display is something that is greatly admired by the people in general. It is something that is hard to beat. The live stock of various kinds is of the choicest breed and is one of the attractive features of the fair. The track is in perfect condition, the racing is of such a satisfactory sort that even those who failed to pick the winners have nothing to complain about.

It is more difficult to keep money than it is to make it.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.
Is it anybody's business?
If a gentleman should choose
To wait upon a lady,
If the lady don't refuse?
Or, to speak a little plainer,
That my meaning all may know,
Is it anybody's business
If a lady has a beau?
Is it anybody's business
When that gentleman does call,
Or when he leaves the lady
Or if he leaves at all?
Or, if it necessary,
That the curtain should be drawn,
To save from further trouble
The outside lookers on?
Is it anybody's business,
But the lady's if her beau
Rides out with other ladies
And doesn't let her know?
Is it anybody's business
But the gentleman's, if she
Should accept another escort
Where he doesn't chide to be?
If a person's on the sidewalk,
Whether great or whether small,
Is it anybody's business,
Where that person means to call?
Or, if you see a person
As he's calling anywhere,
Is it any of your business
What his business may be there?
The substance of our query
Simply stated, would be this:
Is it anybody's business,
What another's business is?
If it is anybody's business,
We would really like to know
For we're certain if it isn't,
There is some who make it so.

Life is a joke to the girl with the dimple.

Church music ought to come by the quire.

The widow wears weeds, but not the grass widow.

When a frog loses his temper he gets hopping mad.

Flattery is a kind of flypaper that catches silly people.

The sailor may be an old salt and yet be the salt of the earth.

It's easy to get all the credit you want when you don't want it.

Blind love often transforms two lovers into a pair of spectacles.

A man has no right to stone his wife but he may rock his baby.

Hens go about without shoes, no matter how often you shoe them.

Few of us get stoop-shouldered from bearing each other's burdens.

It isn't safe to call a policeman a lobster. He might pinch you.

THE OTHER WAY.

The farmer sows his crop, his good wife sews his clothes, the farmer darns the winds, and the good wife darns his nose. The farmer pitches in the hay, but should he cross her whim, the good wife lays aside her work and pitches into him.

HAD DONE ENOUGH.

In a Western Kentucky town Ben Watson had saved the life of Myra Underhill. Miss Underhill had been overturned in a creek with a swift current, and the act of young Watson was a very heroic one. He had saved the life of the girl after she was sinking for the third time, and had barely strength to pull himself and the young woman to shallow water. The news soon spread, and Ben Watson was hailed as the real, live hero of the village.

Aunt Tabby Wilson, the oldest woman in the village, the mother of the little colony, was loud in praise of the heroism of the young man, and at once declared that Ben and Myra must get married. "Ben saved Myra's life," she said, "and now they must marry and be happy ever afterward, just as they do it in the story-books."

But Ben demurred; the arrangement did not suit him, says Harper's Weekly. "Why not marry Myra, Ben?" said the old lady. "She is yours, and we must have a wedding." "She is a nice girl, all right," replied Ben, "but I don't think we oughter marry. Seems to me, he went on, "I have done enough for Myra."

WEDDINGS.

VAUGHN-LEATHERS.

The Williamsport Sun says that the private office of Register and Recorder Losch, at the court house, was the scene of a quiet wedding Monday morning; or, at least, there is supposed to have been a wedding, although no one who was present will admit the fact, and the bride and groom are supposed to have left the city. The interested parties were Harry A. Vaughn, of Newark, N. J., and Minnie B. Leathers, of Howard, Pa. The couple visited Mr. Losch's office, and soon afterward Alderman A. J. Rhoads, with a pleasant smile on his face, arrived. The door was closed and there were no witnesses to the ceremony performed other than those directly interested. Evidently the newly-wedded couple desired to keep the marriage a secret.

I. O. F. ENCAMPMENT.

One of the most important secret society gatherings held in this state in years will be the session of the Grand Encampment and the Department Council of the I. O. F. to open on October 14 and continue until October 17, at Lancaster.

On Monday, October 14, the session of the Department Council will be held in G. A. R. hall. On Monday night the Patriarchs Militant degree will be conferred on a number of candidates at Prince Street hall, to be followed by a luncheon to visitors. The same evening the ladies of Olga and Rose of Sharon Rebekah lodges will entertain the visiting ladies in Odd Fellows' hall.

On Tuesday morning, October 15, competitive drills will be held on Williamson Field for the Stokes medal, now held by Canton York.

Melvin Cole, of near Zion, is quite a photographer. He took several excellent pictures of the barns that were destroyed in that vicinity this week. He has ability in that direction and should follow it up.