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TWO ELOPERS CAUGHT IN TYRONE

Now are Lauguing in the Centre County Jail

WOMAN DESERTS HER CHILDREN

They Reside near Centre Hall and Both are Married—Woman still Clings to her Lover—Deserve a Severe Punishment

Saturday Constable H. H. Montgomery, of the South Ward of Bellefonte, went to Tyrone and arrested Samuel Meyers and Mrs. Calvin Horner, both of Centre Hall, upon the charge of adultery and desertion. He brought them to Bellefonte on Saturday night and placed them behind the bars where they will have time to meditate upon the probable outcome of their checkered and mendacious career. Mrs. Horner is married and with her husband and four or five children lived along Nittany mountains, west of Centre Hall. They failed to get along as husband and wife should, and last fall Mrs. Horner left her family and went to the home of Mrs. Mary Lyon at Centre Hall. Mr. Horner is a cook and was working in Clyde Blackford's restaurant, Bellefonte, and in order to take care of his family was compelled to leave and go home. Samuel Meyers lived with his mother, Mrs. Mary Lyon, and here is where Mrs. Horner fell desperately in love with Mr. Meyers who, it is said, is a married man but does not live with his wife. It is stated that on or about February the 5th, Mr. Meyers and Mrs. Horner arrived in Tyrone and went to the Garman House and registered as husband and wife. They lived happily together for a short time, probably until they became financially embarrassed, when Mrs. Horner went to West Tyrone where she procured employment as a domestic. Mr. Meyers continued to pay her frequent visits, and thus they were often seen together. It is reported that so inebriated has Mrs. Horner become with her new lover she says she will stick to him even if he goes to the penitentiary. She may change her mind, however, before the law runs its course in reference to her case. Mr. Horner is said to be a nice young man, who has been providing for his family the best he could, and this disloyalty of his wife has caused him much trouble and anxiety about his family. If the above is true and correct as we think it is, then both should have the severest punishment meted out to them. Mrs. Horner should have her wish gratified by going with him to the penitentiary where they will reap the rewards of a life of shame and licentiousness.

Percival Tharp Robbed.

For some time a Swede who works his name as John Rouch had been working among the farmers in the vicinity of Pennhall. He was an industrious fellow and when employed made it a point to do a good day's work, and in this way got himself into the good graces of many of the residents. Finally he secured permanent employment at the house of Mr. Tharp. The other evening Mr. and Mrs. Tharp took a friend to Coburn, leaving home about six o'clock and returning in a half hour. The Swede was the only person about the house, and he was not slow in taking in the situation, and at once set to work to commit the robbery. The whole house was ransacked, and among other things discovered to have disappeared simultaneously with Rouch were two lady's gold watches one having engraved on the inside lid "Ella N. Neese" the other was the property of Mrs. Tharp, a silver watch and a ring belonging to Mr. Tharp, suit of clothes, two pairs shoes, shirt, collar, tie, handkerchiefs, rings and a hand grip in which the valuables were packed. About eight o'clock the Swede was observed passing Fisher's store, at Penn Hall, but further west of that point no trace could be found of him. John Bouch, the Swede, is between forty-five and fifty years of age, has dark mustache, bald-headed, walks stooped, left shoulder lower than right, and on the right arm is tattooed a skull and crossbones.

He observed Many Changes.

Monday's Lock Haven Express says that when John Carson of near Zion, was 15 years old he was in Lock Haven and although he is now past 78 years of age and the distance from this city is 25 miles, he never again looked upon Lock Haven until Saturday, consequently about 60 years time had elapsed. At that time this city was a primitive village with probably several hundred houses, nearly all of which were frame. What is known as the hill section was a forest with cuts through. Only a few houses were in Mill Hill, and there were no industries at all, farming being the occupation followed by the residents. Then no railroad had yet entered this section, no street car, electric lights, telephones, telegraph or in fact anything modern was in use here. Carson was surprised to see such fine business blocks, paved streets and in fact a municipality that is quite up-to-date. He stated that he was several times lost while here on Saturday in search of Deputy Sheriff W. H. Klepper, with whom he spent Sunday.

A Serious Proposition.

A very serious proposition confronts the farmers of Pennsylvania who fatten cattle for the market. Last season's crop of corn, which is fed mainly to steers, has turned out badly, much of it having spoiled in the cribs. The ears have become very tough and the cattle refuse to eat much of it. The corn lacks fattening qualities, requiring almost twice the amount used in previous years to produce a hundred pounds of flesh. A number of farmers have been compelled to buy corn in the West, and as prices for western grain are high, it will cut down their profits considerably.

ABOUT THE PRIMARIES

There seems to be considerable misunderstanding about the working of the new uniform primaries election law, due principally to the fact that the parties all vote at the same time and place. Some voters have the mistaken idea that they can help a friend on the other party by voting for him. For instance, a Democratic voter thinks that he would rather help Bill Jones, a candidate for sheriff or some thing on the Republican ticket, than to vote for any of the candidates for the same office on the Democratic ticket. Accordingly he writes Bill Jones' name on the ticket, thinking that his vote would be added to those cast for Bill Jones by the Republican voters and thus help him to secure the Republican nomination. But it does not work that way. The election board has no right to count it with the Republican votes but must return it with the Democratic vote as one vote for Bill Jones for the Democratic nomination. If a majority of the Democrats, however, vote for Bill Jones, that would make him the Democratic nominee. Last year the Republicans had no announced candidate for county surveyor and the names of those voted for were written in. It happened that John C. Swigart, a Democrat, received the most votes, instead of being added to those cast by the Democrats, made him the nominee on the Republican ticket. A first glance it may seem unfair that this should be the case, but it isn't. The primaries elections are simply to make party nominations, and no Democrat should have the right to say whom the Republicans should nominate, nor should Republicans have any say in the Democratic nominations. Otherwise a party might manipulate things to have the weakest man placed on the opposition ticket solely for the purpose of defeating him. Election boards should remember that the votes of the different parties must be returned separately, no matter whom the votes may be for.

In Hard Luck.

Friday the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. basketball team left for Renovo where they met the real thing. They were defeated, but it was one of those kind of defeats that carries with it no disgrace. Renovo has five up-to-date teams and the one the Y. M. C. A. boys played was the pick of the five. At the beginning of the game the Bellefonte boys played around their opponents, and the score stood 6-0 in favor of Bellefonte, when Keichline hurt his leg. Wallace took his place and not long after this Lingie, the forward received foul play from Young while shooting the basket and was put out of the game with a sprained ankle. This left the team in a bad fix, but Barnes took Lingie's place, the

At the end of the first half the score was 10-7 in favor of Bellefonte. No more than five minutes of the second half had passed until Shields received foul play from Young, putting him out of the game. Keichline with severe pain went in and took Shields' place, the score at this juncture being 15-14 with the Y. M. C. A. in the lead. As soon as one man could recover from his injuries he would go into the game and try to win the laurels for the team from Bellefonte. Owing to their crippled condition they were unable to score but four more points while Renovo ran their score up to thirty.

Who is it.

For some time we have been sending a paper to "Mrs. T. Henderson," at Howard. The subscription is due since Oct. 1905 or \$3.75. Telephone inquiries to that place failed to locate the right party. We want to know who Mrs. T. Henderson is as we wish to inform her that when the paper, mailed to her regularly, was thrown back, the honorable thing would have been to send us the \$3.75 that remains unpaid. Next there is a gentleman by the name of "Jas. D. Ossman," at Lemont, to whom we have been sending the paper since Sep., 1903. He has also thrown his paper back in the office refused, and unpaid for \$7.00. Bills sent by mail evidently fail to reach him, for an honest man pays his honest debts,—and acts honestly with the editor who trusts him for years. If anyone knows such a Mr. Ossman, kindly advise him, so that he can adjust this matter, for if it remains unpaid we might suspect his integrity. Who is the next?

A Modern Building.

G. E. Haupt has broken ground on Thomas street for a dwelling of the most modern construction. The dimensions of this new building will be 34 by 43 feet and it will be three stories high with two rooms in the basement. It will contain four sets of flats to be rented to tenants. The most modern part of the building will be in the construction. The material to be used is the concrete building blocks and throughout the structure will be fire and frost proof. Even the roof will be of an indestructible material and, when completed it will be one of the up-to-date buildings in Bellefonte.

Lightning Fires Barn.

During the heavy thunder shower Sunday afternoon the barn on the farm of Mrs. William Robb, about one mile south of Romolia, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all of the contents. The barn contained about 65 bushels of oats, 16 bushels of buckwheat, 10 tons of hay, a quantity of straw and all the farm implements. All of the stock was gotten out safely. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

More New Political Parties.

Preemptions of the names of nine new political parties were filed at the Dauphin county court house late Monday afternoon and they will hold for the election this fall. They are as follows: Taft, Hughes, Cannon, City Home Rule, Liberal Union, United Labor and Knox Citizens. The Penrose capitol looters are also a party—in cahoot.

—Children \$1, shoes 75c. H. C. Yeager successor to Yeager & Davis.

CAPITOL GRAFTERS ARE CONVICTED

Jury have no Trouble in Arriving at a Verdict

PRISON WALLS AWAIT THEM

Made the Usual Application for a New Trial—Other Suits will follow in May—Verdict is Approved by the Public

By the time the Centre Democrat reaches its readers it probably has become pretty generally known that Pennsylvania's machinery of justice scored a vindication Friday when the men who were concerned in the robbery of the State by means of the infamous Capitol job were convicted of their crime and brought within the shadow of the penitentiary. It was a remarkable fulfillment—on Friday, the 13th—of the grim prediction of the late Matthew Stanley Quay that the men in that job would land in the penitentiary. The trial of these Capitol conspirators and political grafters lasted seven weeks and needed but seven hours for the jury to find a verdict.

The last day of the great trial was devoted to the charge of the Judge to the jury. The lawyers had their last word Thursday, and Friday morning Judge Kunkle expounded to the jury the law as it bore upon each point in the case. Many lawyers crowded the Court room to hear the Court's deliverance, the expectation being that it would be a notable one, and they were not disappointed. Under the construction placed by Judge Kunkle in his charge upon the furnishings contract, a verdict of acquittal, in the case of Sanderson, was virtually out of the question. The Judge emphasized the fact that prior to the capitol furnishing, Sanderson had sold furniture to the state by the linear foot, and the court also raised a doubt as to the tenability of most of the contentions advanced in behalf of the capitol contractor. In regard to the other defendants, the court directed the attention of the jurors to the fact that they might find, if they determined the evidence so warranted, that Sanderson or any of the other defendants had conspired with Joseph M. Huston to defraud the state, even though Huston is not on trial at this time. When the charge was finished there was a very general expression upon its strength and fairness, and it was noticeable that those who had been predicting an acquittal were much less confident after the delivery of the charge than before, this being explained by the fact that the simple application of the law to the case made a conviction seem very certain.

The men found guilty are John H. Sanderson, contractor; William P. Snyder, ex-auditor general; W. L. Mathews, ex-state treasurer; and James M. Shumaker, ex-superintendent. The jury came into court at 8.52 Friday evening, and a minute later Foreman Dunkle, in reply to Clerk of the Courts Warden, announced that they had agreed upon a verdict. It was read to the court and then aloud. The jury was not polled, but when the clerk read the verdict, convicting all of conspiracy, Sanderson gave his assent by a nod. Judge Kunkle warmly thanked the jurymen for their patience and the care given to the case and dismissed them with the customary thanks of the court. The entire proceeding occupied ten minutes.

Immediately motions for new trials were made on behalf of each of the defendants. Only Sanderson and Snyder were in court when the verdict was given, and neither would raise a word of the counsel for the defendants would say anything about the case. Judge Kunkle allowed 30 days for the filings of reasons for the new trial. The maximum penalties for each defendant in this case is two years imprisonment and \$1000 fine. The punishment named is all that can be inflicted, for there was but one count in the indictment. There remained, however still menacing the convicted men many other indictments, 12 or 15 in Sanderson's case, and he could be punished cumulatively upon each of these if convicted. When sentence comes, Sanderson, the big central figure in the affair, may get off lightest of all. The penalty for conspiracy to defraud is two years in prison and \$1000 fine, in the case of a private individual, but may be doubled where the man convicted is a State official. Snyder, Shumaker and Mathews may suffer by this doubling process. It has been decided that the next case to be tried is that against H. Bard Cassel, James M. Shumaker, William P. Snyder, William L. Mathews and Frank Irvine, charged with conspiracy to cheat the state out of \$500,000 on a bill of \$17,780.70 for metallic furniture. The bill was rendered for 1560 1/2 square feet, when but 1204 square feet were furnished.

Entertains Her Girl Friends.

Miss Margaret Hughes, of Bellefonte, celebrated her fifteenth birthday anniversary by entertaining her school girl friends on Saturday evening. Quite an elaborate program had been carefully prepared to insure an evening of genuine surprise and pleasure and the young girl guests are not at all sparing in their expressions of delight over the success of the party. One of the pretty and pleasing incidents of the evening was the crowning of Miss Margaret as "Queen of March."

Penny-sacker Mum.

Former Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker "has a secret in his heart." He won't tell what he thinks about the conviction of Sanderson, Mathews, Shumaker and Snyder for looting the State Capitol while he was on the official watch-tower. He says what he thinks on that subject is nobody's business but his own "I'm not thinking for the public prints just now," said the former Governor, when his opinion was besought.

A BROKER GOES WRONG.

There was sort of a raffle in financial circles at Bellefonte within the last week; it started as suddenly as an April shower from a cloudless sky, and like the man caught without an umbrella, quite a number of our speculative citizens were caught, and some of them, as it were, were soaked to the skin. About two years and a half ago Harry Garber came to Bellefonte and started a brokerage office in Temple Court, and claimed he was conducting business according to the recently enacted law. He was a courteous, genial fellow, who at once gained the confidence of our people, and his establishment was well patronized by those who believed in that method of making a fortune.

In September and October, when the big slump in the market came, those who were not ready to take their stock off the board were necessarily compelled to put up large margins, while the smaller buyers ordered their stock off. Everything was moving along smoothly until Friday when, Mr. Garber received a message by wire from Baxter & Co., brokers in Pittsburgh, with whom he had been dealing, that they would not give him any further quotations, and that the wire would be taken from him. When this became known, the investors got on the anxious bench to know the outcome. It is claimed that Mr. Garber had closed out some of the stock on the sheet apparently without authority from the investors. That in some instances he had collected margins when the transactions were not on record with Baxter & Co. Saturday Lee Patterson, a representative of Baxter & Co., and C. B. Kelly, of Lock Haven, were in Bellefonte making an investigation of the situation and found things in rather bad shape. It is said that unless the matter can be amicably settled proceeding, will be brought against Mr. Garber. Counting the present raise in stocks it is estimated that \$15,000 are involved. It is to be hoped that there will be some way out of the difficulty in which everybody interested will wear a big smile.

BIBLE 228 YEARS OLD.

Upon our desk was left an ancient book—a Bible 228 years old, having been printed in Germany in the year 1680. Size 15x10x1 1/2 inches. Its binding is 1-3 inch walnut, covered with this leather, and has the usual brass clasps. The type are the old style pica. The book contains the Old and New Testaments. At the beginning of the historic books are woodcut engravings illustrating the contents of the chapters. With the beginning of each book is a wood-cut, the same for each book, and at the close of each book also a wood-cut; pictures of this kind, were a usual accompaniment in ancient volumes. It is of interest to printers to learn that the dash () is used throughout this book, but being in an upright position, and all the spacing is very close instead of the modern system of wide-spacing. At the bottom of each page is the first word of the beginning of next page. This ancient volume is now owned by William Shutt, of Bellefonte, and was obtained by his father, Ludwig Shutt, many years ago, at Bierly's sale in Rebersburg.

Long and Faithful Service.

The Tyrone Times says that J. F. Sausaman, who has roomed out eight years of faithful services as an engineer on the Bald Eagle Valley, has been transferred to the C. & C. local on the mountain. His service in the past eighteen years, has been of such a nature, that the company realize him to be one of the best engineers on the road. Mr. Sausaman made his initial run on the B. E. V. July 1st, 1890. He was the first to take a "R" engine, which was number 455, over to the valley. This was on June 21st, 1891. He ran the first class "R" engine into Bellefonte on September 2nd, 1892. The number of this engine was 310. During those days the large locomotives were quite a sight and people would flock around the station and along the tracks to watch Sausaman and his big machine go by.—Times

State's Basketball Schedule.

The following is the Schedule for the State College baseball team for the Season of 1908: April 11, Carnegie Tech., at State; 15, Altoona Tr. State, at Williamsport; 17 and 18, U. of V., at Charlottesville, Va.; 20, Mercersburg academy, at Mercersburg; 21, Indians at Carlisle; 22, Dickinson at Carlisle; 25, Susquehanna, at State; 27, Syracuse, at Syracuse; 28, Rochester, at Rochester; 29, Cornell, at Ithaca; May 2, Bucknell, at State; 5, Grove City, at State; 8, Dickinson at State; 15, W. U. P., at Pittsburg; 16, Carnegie Tech., at Pittsburg; 19, Villanova, at State; 23, Bucknell, at Lewisburg; 27, Villanova, at Villaville; 30, Lafayette, at Easton; June 13, W. U. P., at State.

Are You Moving.

All patrons of the Centre Democrat who will move on or about April 1st, and thereby change their postoffice address should notify us NOW of the contemplated change thereby they will get their paper without interruption.

Please note when you write, be sure to give the following: 1st—The old address, 2nd—The new address. Many times the post office sends an endless amount of labor to hunt your name from among over 5,000 other names. 3rd—Always when writing about your subscription give your name exactly as you find it printed on the label. Much confusion arises in communities where there are a large number of families by the same name.

Can't go From Drink to Work.

The Reading Railway issued orders at Pottsville, on Friday, that hereafter the company's messengers will not call engineers, firemen and brakemen from saloons to railroad duty, instead, the men so located will be reported off for that day and their loading place noted on the records.

—Special bargains in men's working shoes. H. C. Yeager successor to Yeager & Davis.

BODY FOUND IN A SNOW DRIFT

Sudden Disappearance of the Post Master at Clarence

EVIDENTLY COMMITTED SUICIDE

Shot Himself on December 7th at the side of the Road—Covered by the Falling Snow—Was found on Last Friday

Ever since Saturday, December the 7th, the citizens of the vicinity of Snow Shoe and Clarence have been greatly exercised over the mysterious disappearance of T. F. Musser, postmaster at Clarence, who resided along the road between Clarence and Snow Shoe. On the above date he left his home ostensibly for the purpose of going to the post-office. Failing to return in the evening his family and friends became alarmed to the extent that posses were immediately organized, and the mountains and the surrounding country were thoroughly searched for miles around. This search has been kept up continually but no trace of him could be found. It became the general impression in the neighborhood that Mr. Musser had wandered into some secluded place in the wilderness of the Allegheny mountains, and, becoming confused, lost his way and had perished in the cold.

On last Saturday afternoon, between 1 and 2 o'clock, Wm. Davis and Frank Uzzle were passing along the road between Snow Shoe and Clarence, and within two hundred yards of the Musser home they came upon the distorted form of the missing man. He was lying under a pine tree, alongside of a large log, almost hidden from the view of pedestrians. In his hand was a revolver the thumb being in the trigger guard. The young men at once made their gressome find known and it was only a short time until there was a large crowd on the scene. Justice of the Peace Thompson held an inquest but it was evident that he had committed suicide by firing two shots, the first one making but a scalp wound on the back of his head. The second shot entered his head back of the right ear, causing almost instant death. The body was considerably decomposed, and the fowls of the air had already begun feasting on it.

As stated above, the deceased left home on the 7th of December, probably to go to the postoffice at Clarence. On his return at night, the supposition is that he stopped under the tree and committed the rash deed, the cause of which will never be known. It snowed during the night and thus all trace of the tragic affair was obliterated until the sun's rays melted the snow, thus revealing what had been such a deep mystery for several months.

Mr. Musser was a kind, jovial man, who made an excellent postmaster, and had hosts of friends in the locality in which he lived. He served in the Civil War in Co. E, 148th Regt. He is survived by a wife and five children who are as follows: Minnie Musser, a nurse in the hospital at Morris Plains, N. J.; James, of Derry; John, Jennie and Frances at home. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, interment in Askey's cemetery.

Conference of Educators.

A conference of the superintendents and principals of the schools of Central Pennsylvania will be held in the court house in Lock Haven Friday evening and Saturday morning of March 27 and 28. The speakers for the occasion will be Superintendents Charles Lense, of Williamsport; A. A. Harmon, of Hazleton; H. J. Weightman, Altoona; W. A. Wilson, Milton; Professor Alleman, DnBois; Ira Shipman, Sunbury; and Professor Ellenberger, of Tyrone. Dr. J. R. Flickinger, principal of the Central State Normal school, as well as principals of other normal schools, will be in attendance and address the conference. Information in greater detail will be given in these columns later.

To Build a Walk of Teeth.

A walk of teeth is to be built around the novel new home of Dr. John Kinsel, in Bellwood. The doctor has been saving up for the past twenty years, and he has a big stock of them on hand at the present time. He never knew exactly what he would do with them until he decided to build a "round house" for a dwelling. Then he concluded to use the teeth in the walk. The dwelling is perfectly round, fifty feet in diameter, two stories tall, with a cupola on top. It was constructed of concrete blocks, manufactured by the doctor himself.

Lewisburg Suicide.

W. B. Marsh, a prominent shoe merchant deliberately committed suicide Thursday morning by jumping from the unfinished river bridge. No one saw him jump but the fact that he did so was soon discovered and a search was at once begun for the body. The current at the point at which he jumped is very swift, however, and up to an early hour that afternoon the body had not been found. Business reverses are said to be responsible for the act.

Many Men Laid Off.

A large force of men have been suspended by the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Renovo. The suspension extends to the trainmen and also to the department. About one-half of the employes of the blacksmith shop are laid off by these orders.

The survey along the old canal route from Lock Haven to Williamsport, which was thought to be in the interests of a railroad company, is now conceded to be for the interests of the Williamsport Passenger Railroad company.

—Men's \$2.50 dress shoes \$1.75. H. C. Yeager, successor to Yeager & Davis.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

THE DOCTOR KNOWS.
One of the local officials of Chicago tells of a plumber's apprentice who, on his way to work one morning, called at the office of health authorities, and made known his wish to register his father's death. When the clerk asked the date of the demise, the son replied, "He ain't dead yet; but he will be before night. I thought it would save me another journey if you put it down." "That won't do at all," said the clerk. "perhaps your father will live for a long while yet." "Well, I don't know," responded the apprentice, doubtfully. "The doctor says he won't, and he knows what he has given him."

WEDDINGS.

REESE-BIGLOW.
On Tuesday evening there was a nice and quiet wedding. David Reese and Miss Jennie V. Bigelow, both of Port Matilda, were united in marriage by Rev. E. S. Bierly.

WOLFORD-BARNER.
Calvin Wolford, of Rebersburg, and Miss Laura Barner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Barner, of Salona, were united in marriage on Sunday evening, March 15, by Rev. Reark, pastor of the Salona Lutheran church.

DURKEE-HOUSEL.
Wm. M. Durkee and Miss Mary E. Houser, both of Pleasant Gap, were married at the Methodist parsonage in Bellefonte Wednesday afternoon of last week by Rev. J. B. Stein. The groom is a son of Rev. Durkee of the Methodist church and the bride is one of the Gap's most estimable young ladies. They will take up their residence at Pleasant Gap.

HALE-DAVIS.
Hubert Hale, son of James P. Hale, superintendent of the New Steam Co., at Philipsburg, and Miss Thomasina Davis, who has for some time been making her home with her grandmother, Mrs. Somerville, at Point Lookout, made a hasty trip to Youngstown, Ohio, to the surprise of their friends, where they were married. They are now at home and receiving congratulations. Both are very young, but it is to be hoped Dan Cupid knew what he was doing and that their future may be a happy an successful one.

MORE MEN LAID OFF.

Following the laying off of about 45 men on the Lewisport division Thursday and Friday, 19 extra men on the Sunbury division were laid off today. The conditions existing on the Sunbury division are much the same as those existing elsewhere along the line. The contraction of business left the company with more men than necessary to handle the traffic, and a reduction in the force was necessary.

One by one the men who have lost their positions have called at the company offices and received the official statement that their services are no longer needed. Most of them are already seeking new positions. Some of them are considering the proposition to go to the west, where it is said that there is work to be obtained.

Sunburians realize now more than ever the importance of the Pennsylvania to the welfare of that city. Many of the men discharged were property owners and some of them were intending to build in the spring. It is estimated that possibly fifty families will be lost in that city.

It was announced yesterday, says the Harrisburg Daily Patriot, that a reduction will be made in the motive power department of the Pennsylvania at all points along the line, and that at that place about 10 per cent, or several hundred men will be laid off.

Body Found Near Muncy.

The body of Mrs. Annie Swope, who drowned herself December in the river at the Island, at Lock Haven, where she lived with her husband on the Dunn farm was found Friday evening in the river near Muncy. A trackman on the Pennsylvania railroad, discovered the body of a woman lying in the river along the edge of the water, about three miles west of Muncy. He found the body which had been in the water for some time, probably several months. It was attired only in an undershirt and the sun marks on the abdomen showed that it had been floating. The features were in a good state of preservation and can easily be identified. Mrs. Swope, it will be recalled, drowned herself just as daylight was dawning on December 2, having eluded the members of her family, who were keeping a close watch; her mind had become deranged through a long period of illness, and as she had made previous attempts to take her life, which were frustrated by the watchfulness of her children. Before plunging into the chilly water, some distance south of her home, she removed the greater portion of her clothing. For several weeks a large force of men dragged the river with grappling hooks and other devices, but the body was not recovered.

Hand Cut Off.

Stewart Crispin, aged 20 years, a son of Harry Crispin of Mill Hall, met with a frightful accident a few days ago, at that place while employed in the saw mill of Morrill Bickford of Lock Haven. The young man was working about an edger and in reaching across the rapidly revolving saw his glove caught it and in an instant his right hand was drawn toward the saw. The hand was cut off at the wrist, that member hanging only by a shred.

GREAT FLOOD.

The rains of last night and day before has caused a flood of the lands from Pleasant Gap on down over the fish hatchery which was washed-out and likely set all fish free. The toll-house above the furnace, also the furnace and swing factory in the Reynolds mill building, all surrounded by the flood. Farther down the stream to Millhall, the situation is similar.