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## DYNAMITER AT WORK IN TYRONE

### ATTEMPT TO DESTROY A FINE RESIDENCE

### TRAIN WRECKER IS CAPTURED

Tried to Derail Train Near Queens Run—Made Confession—In Lock Haven Jail—Ton of Dynamite Explodes With Great Violence.

At five o'clock Monday morning, the beautiful brick residence of Thomas Calderwood on East Tenth street, Tyrone, was almost wrecked by some cowardly villain. Mr. Calderwood is the superintendent for the American Lime and Limestone company. A short time ago he discharged some foreigners for not attending to their work and since has heard of their making threats as to what they would do the big boss.

Monday morning he and his wife rose at five o'clock, and while dressing Mrs. Calderwood stated that she smelt something burning. Without further ceremony they proceeded down stairs to the kitchen, but found nothing on fire. Mr. Calderwood raised the window blind and saw lying on the window sill at least a dozen sticks of dynamite securely bound with wire, burning. He immediately tore the window and screen out and grabbed the burning explosive and tossed it to the ground below and called to his wife to get the children out of bed and run for their lives. Mrs. Calderwood and her daughter ran to the corner of Woodland avenue and Tenth street and the husband hurried to notify the police. Their little grandson, Eugene Johnson, had been forgotten and left in the home. Mrs. Calderwood, almost frantic ran back and grabbed the little fellow who was sound asleep and reached the front porch with him just as the awful explosion took place.

Every window glass in the home was broken, even the magnificent beveled glass in the doorway and little windows. The chandeliers and small bric-a-brac were completely destroyed, while the plastering in the kitchen and the door and window frames and the doors were broken to splinters. The dynamite tore a three-foot hole in the rocks between the Getz and Calderwood homes and damaged the foundation and casing to great extent at the Getz home.

Between the hours of eleven and twelve o'clock someone set fire to the dynamite which at the time was near Stover's station and the result was the explosion of over a ton of dynamite. The concussion was terrific and the report was heard as far west as Cresson and as far east as Lewistown. The home of Henry Houck near the explosion is almost a complete wreck and the family escaped with just a few injuries.

### ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN

#### The Villain is captured and confesses His Guilt.

Monday evening a short distance east of the telegraph tower at Queens Run, on the P. & E. R. R. a switch at that point had been thrown by unknown miscreants, and when a freight train came along at a slow speed the engineer was dumfounded to find that his train was running out on the siding. The switch is a "sharp" one, and had the passenger train the siding and the rate of speed it usually runs, it would have been derailed, with probable loss of life. On learning of the attempt at train wrecking the railroad officials acted promptly by sending several men, headed by Detective McClintock, to the scene on a locomotive, in an effort to capture the fiends.

Tuesday morning a young man named Charles I. Reed who is employed on the Bridgens farm, was arrested on suspicion and taken to Lock Haven. When the prisoner was closely questioned he admitted his guilt and was held in the sum of \$1,000 bail for court.

### Similar Attempts Near Philipsburg.

On Saturday evening when train No. 4 was nearing Philipsburg, the engine was derailed and upon investigation it was found that some villain had spiked the switch. Engineer Schell threw on the emergency brake and stopped the big iron horse before any damage was done. The purpose for wrecking this train is not known but the authorities are putting forth every effort to locate the scoundrel.

### Call off Costly Strike.

After 53 days of turmoil and strife, the strike of 3500 employees of the Pennsylvania Steel Car Company today will be unanimously declared at an end, and those 3,500, with 1,500 others, forced into idleness by them, will on Thursday begin to return to work at the rate of 1000 a day at McKees Rocks. Nine lives and more than \$1,250,000 have been lost in the fight. The men win practically every demand, the company agreeing to pay the 1907 scale again when present contracts shall be worked out, or in about 60 days.

### Barn Burned.

Early on Wednesday morning the barn, slaughter house, and all the adjoining buildings, except the residence on Clarence Long's farm, at Rebersburg, were destroyed by fire. All the live stock was saved, but about 16 tons of hay, two buggies, three sets of harness and some other things stored in the barn were lost. Mr. Long's loss will be about \$1,500, with an insurance of \$700. At the time of the fire Mr. Long was in Lock Haven with a load of produce.

That it takes a lot of cheek for any fellow in Bellefonte to claim that his face is his fortune.

## HORSE SHOW

To be Held at Pennsylvania State College on Saturday, October 23.

The second annual horse show of central Centre county horsemen will be held at State College on Saturday, Oct. 23. There are 18 classes and three prizes to each class. The exhibition is limited to horses owned within a radius of 15 miles of State College, and all animals must be owned by the exhibitor. As no entry fee will be required, no cash prizes will be awarded. Focked, sick or lame horses are debarred from entry. No person or firm can make more than five entries and no horse can be entered in more than one class. The classification follows:

A—Pair of mares or geldings hitched to farm wagon. Prizes to be awarded for heavy, medium and light farm teams.

B—Pair of mares or geldings hitched to express or delivery wagon. Prizes to be awarded for heavy and light.

C—Single mare or gelding hitched to express or delivery wagon. Prizes to be awarded for express and delivery.

D—Pair of mares or geldings hitched to surry or family carriage. Prizes for heavy and light carriages. (Liverymen barred.)

E—Single mare or gelding hitched to buggy or runabout. Prizes to be awarded for single driver. (Liverymen barred.)

F—Pair of mares or geldings to livery surry or carriage. Prize for livery team.

G—Single mare or gelding to livery buggy or runabout. Prizes for single livery.

H—Pair of mules for farm wagon.

I—Mare of gelding under saddle. Prizes for three gaited and five gaited saddle horses.

J—Pony under saddle.

K—Pony to cart.

L—Three year old mare or gelding at halter. Prizes for heavy, medium and light.

M—Two year old mare or gelding at halter. Prizes for heavy, medium and light.

N—Yearling at halter. Prizes for heavy, medium and light.

O—Colt at halter. Prizes for heavy, medium and light.

P—Mare or gelding 20 years old or older; years of service and condition to be considered.

Q—Driving contest. Confined to teams hitched to farm wagon.

R—Pulling contest.

Those having horses to enter should apply for the proper blanks to William L. Foster, State College.

## ANOTHER NEW LEAGUE.

Here is the formation of another new league, taken from the Renovo News that leaves Lock Haven out in the cold.

"The new league will be formed to furnish base ball in this section for next season and already the preliminaries incident to the organization of the same are assuming such proportion that the success of the venture is assured. It will be composed of six clubs—Huntingdon, Tyrone, Clearfield, Renovo, Bellefonte, and Philipsburg, and will give the clubs a nice circuit. The Lock Haven and Jersey Shore teams have been cut out of the league lowering their popularity with those who are interested with clean base ball.

"The movement was commenced in Bellefonte and that the patrons of the national sport will be given the genuine article next season is an assured fact, as those who will be at the head of the 'band' this time are determined to have decent sport or none at all."

## Base Ball Notes.

When base ball was in its height in Bellefonte Henry Kline became so deeply interested that he made the promise that to the man in the local team who would make a home run he would give him a pair of good shoes. Frank P. Blair said, "those are exactly my sentiments," and to the fellow who makes a home run I will donate a pair of gold cuff buttons with his initials engraved on them. Queer as it may seem, during the last game on Friday afternoon here, with Renovo, and in the last inning, Dick Kauffman hit a ball that knocked a board off the fence. It went far enough out just to give the batter time to win the coveted prizes. The score was 6-4 in favor of Renovo.

## Across the Sea in Four Days.

Lusitania first of the four-day trans-atlantic liners to arrive in New York, came in on Friday at sundown, adding another wonderful achievement to the record breaking events of the twentieth century. Never before has man crossed the Atlantic so quickly as did the passengers who stepped ashore. Time of voyage, 4 days, 11 hours, 22 minutes. Average mile per hour, 25.559.

## Credits Given.

If you sent any money to this office, or paid it direct, on subscription during the past month of August, you will find proper credit given for the date on your label this week. Look at it now, and in case of an error, please notify the office at once.

## Contract Awarded.

On Wednesday afternoon the County Commissioners awarded the contract for heating and ventilating the court house to the Bellefonte Steam & Gas Co. for \$7,900, which was the lowest bid, by \$1,474. The commissioners have decided on copper roof for the entire building, instead of slate.

## A Real Shooting.

While playing "Wild West" on Saturday, with a target gun, at Millroy, Mifflin county, Joseph Lepley, aged 14 years, shot William Shank, aged 3, in the right eye killing him instantly.

## BIG GATHERINGS OF THE SEASON

### PROGRAM FOR THE WEEK AT GRANGE PARK

### NEXT THE CENTRE COUNTY FAIR

The closing events for the Season—Excursion Trains will be Run—Fast Racing at the Fair—Many New Attractions.

The arrangements for the great Entertainment and Fair, on Grange Park, Centre Hall, from September 11th to 17, are practically completed.

Among the speakers who will be present during the week are Hon. W. T. Creasy, Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, United States Senator Oliver, Secretary of Agriculture N. B. Gritchfield, Col. W. R. Andrews, Hon. J. T. Allman, Hon. James Foust, Dr. B. H. Warren, Prof. Alva Agee, and a number of others of state and national reputation have signified their intentions to be there, if possible.

The following program has been announced for the week:

Saturday, September 11th, 7:30 p. m.—Grand opening, entertainment, in Auditorium, by the Frankford Vaudeville Company. Admission, 10 and 15 cents; reserved seats, 20 cents.

Sunday, September 12th, 2:30 p. m.—Harvest Home and song service. Sermon by Dr. W. H. Schuyler. Musical director, Prof. P. H. Meyer.

Monday, September 13th—General opening of the exhibition and placing of exhibits.

7:30 p. m.—Entertainment in Auditorium by the Frankford Vaudeville Company.

Tuesday, September 14th—Reunion of the Centre County Veteran Club.

7:30 p. m.—Entertainment by the Frankford Vaudeville Company.

Wednesday, September 15th, 1:00 p. m.—Addresses by Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, of New Jersey; Prof. Alva Agee, of Pennsylvania State College; Hon. J. T. Allman, Secretary Pennsylvania State Grange, and others.

7:30 p. m.—Entertainment by the Frankford Vaudeville Company.

Thursday, September 16th, 10 a. m.—Addresses by Hon. W. T. Creasy, Master of Pennsylvania State Grange; Hon. N. B. Gritchfield, State Secretary of Agriculture, and Hon. James Foust, Dairy and Food Commissioner.

1 p. m.—Addresses by United States Senator George P. Oliver, Col. W. R. Andrews, Hon. Mortimer Whitehead, Dr. H. B. Warren, and others.

7:30 p. m.—Closing entertainment by the Frankford Vaudeville Company.

All the tents will be filled, and the display of implements, merchandise, etc., will be a complete attraction in itself worth seeing.

All railroads in Pennsylvania including Baltimore and Elmira will sell excursion tickets, without card order, going September 10th to 17th, and good returning until September 20th. Special trains will be run over the Lewisburg and Tyrone railroad Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, leaving Bellefonte at 10 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., and return to Coburn at 7:30 p. m., and to Bellefonte at 9:45 p. m.

A special train will also run ahead of the regular trains from Bellefonte and Coburn, Thursday morning.

## THE CENTRE COUNTY FAIR

### Many New Attractions and Excellent Features.

Everything points to a big meet this year at the Centre County Fair, which will be held on October 5, 6, 7 and 8. With the weather favorable the fair will be bigger and better than any fair ever held in the county. The officers and members of the executive committee have been putting forth their best efforts toward this end. A number of improvements are being made on the grounds which will not only be an increase to the pleasure of those who attend but it will be a convenience to those who make exhibits there. The exhibition of farm implements, machinery and vehicles of all kinds will be much larger than ever before. The exhibition building will also contain a better variety of fruit and everything that makes that department attractive and interesting. In the line of stock there will be something fine.

D. G. Stewart, the track superintendent, has been devoting much of his time to the selection of race horses that will furnish the kind of amusement for the people. He has been successful in getting the very best, and it is expected that this feature will surpass any previous fair. The speed program is as follows: Wednesday—2:14, trot and pace, \$250; 2:30, trot and pace, \$200. Thursday—2:18, trot and pace, \$250; 2:25, trot and pace, \$200. Friday—2:20, trot and pace, \$200; Free for All trot and pace, \$300. The entries to these races will close on Saturday, October 2nd, at 11 o'clock p. m.

The managers will not permit gambling on the grounds but there will be enough amusements on the grounds to offset any lack in this direction. There will be the man who eats them alive, the queen of beauties, the snake charmer and many other specialties will be on the grounds. Then a pleasing program will take place before the grand stand between the races. Make up your mind to be there every day and take in the sights.

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## ELOPING COUPLE CAUGHT.

As They Were About to Board a Train at Lock Haven.

The following is from the Lock Haven Democrat, on Monday: Chief of Police Joseph Power and Patrolman W. T. Bowes yesterday afternoon frustrated a probable elopement by apprehending a young couple at the P. and E. station, after they had purchased tickets and were about to board the B. & E. V. train leaving here at 3:50.

Early in the day Chief Power was called up on the phone by a Mrs. Campbell, of Millheim, who stated that her daughter, Viola Campbell, aged 18 years, had eloped with a party named Boyd King, who is aged 23 years, and that the couple were headed this way. The chief and Officer Bowes sauntered towards the station and about 3:30 saw a couple answering the description come out of Beck's restaurant. The girl was without a hat or a wrap. They were watched by the officers, who placed them under arrest and took them to jail, where they were placed in care of Sheriff Kepper. The couple denied that they intended to elope, claiming that they were bound for Beech Creek, from where they intended to go to Pine Glen, to visit King's brother.

The girl's mother was notified of the capture and arrived here today. She says she will make information against King in Centre county, charging him with intention to elope with her minor daughter, who accompanied her mother to Millheim this afternoon, King was released.

## W. H. MUSSER CANED.

The survivors of Co. E, 45 P. V., with their wives, were the guests of W. H. Musser Thursday, it being the forty-eighth anniversary of the leaving for the scene of conflict. The reunion was held in the rooms of Gregg post, Bellefonte. Gen. James A. Beaver presided, Conrad Musser was presented a fine gold headed cane, suitably inscribed, by his comrades.

There were present in addition to the host comrades D. B. Allen, J. G. Heberling, G. W. Marks, J. C. McCurdy, T. J. Mays, W. A. Poorman, David Love, and W. H. Fry, and Theophilus Bratton, of Missouri.

Following the meeting in the Post rooms Mr. Musser entertained the visitors and their wives at dinner at the Brockerhoff house, and it was there that they bore evidence to the fact that time had not lessened their appetites.

The company saw the following emplacements: James Island, Fort Pulaski, Falmouth, South Mountain, Fredericksburg, Antietam, Jamestown, Vicksburg, Jackson, Cumberland Gap, Blue Springs, Campbell Station, Knoxville, Wilderness, Cold Harbor, Spotsylvania, Petersburg, Palms Farm, the second battle of Fredericksburg and Lee's surrender.

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## Forty Widows Bashful.

Angered because the impression got abroad that they had organized to get husbands, members of the Forty Widows' Association of Berwick, asked that a statement be made to the general public that they organized solely for social aims, and not to get husbands.

The fact that they have organized has spread so widely that they are now receiving letters from widows in all sections of the country asking how it is possible to become a member and what is the process by which husbands are obtained for members.

Men are also sending scores of letters complimenting the widows on what they believe is intended as a short cut to matrimony.

It has been decided to keep the meeting as secret as possible in the future.

## A Mad Runaway.

On Monday, afternoon near Brunard's church, in Sugar Valley, a horse driven by Mrs. J. M. Frankenberger and Miss Clara Bieri took freight at a turkey and ran at a high rate of speed down a steep hill, throwing Mrs. Frankenberger and Miss Bieri from the vehicle. The former had her wrist broken, a shoulder dislocated, her back hurt and her forehead severely lacerated, while the latter escaped with a few scratches and bruises.

Geo. Roan, of State College, returned home, after spending ten days with friends and relatives in New York, Ocean Grove, Staten Island and Philadelphia.

## PEARY RETURNS FROM NORTH POLE

### FAMOUS EXPLORER STARTLES THE WORLD BY ANNOUNCEMENT HE SAW NO TRACE OF COOK

### Was at the Pole one Year After Cook—Both are Americans and From Pennsylvania—Remarkable Coincidence.

Commander Robert E. Peary, U. S. N., reached the North Pole on April 6, 1909. After repeated attempts, after most careful preparations for his latest, his successful expedition, this fine American attains the goal which has tempted scientific adventurers of every nation to the graves in the everlasting ice.

From out of the Arctic darkness there was flashed Monday this message which stunned the scientific world and thrilled the heart of every layman. From the bleak coast of Labrador Peary gave the world the news that he had attained his goal in the far north, while at the same moment in far off Denmark, Dr. Fredrick A. Cook, of Brooklyn, was being dined and lionized by royalty for the same achievement. Undeniably Yankee grit has conquered the frozen North and there has been created a coincidence such as the world will never see again.

It was Commander Robert Edwin Peary's seventh attempt to reach the North Pole that finally brought him to the goal for which he had been striving for twenty-three years.

He announced that he had found no trace of Dr. Fredrick A. Cook, of Brooklyn, who reported to the world five days ago that he had made the same discovery in April of the preceding year. While Peary does not expressly repudiate Dr. Cook's contention in so many words, his statement may have an important bearing upon determining the extent of Cook's explorations.

But forty-eight hours had passed since Dr. Cook, heralded by a great rising wave of public interest and hailed as the hero of the north, reached Copenhagen to be feted like a returning conqueror.

The history of exploration contains no more startling coincidence than this: that two men of the same nation, teacher and pupil in their quest, and neighbors in the same quiet community at home, should emerge out of the darkness and long silence of the far north, in different continents, so nearly at the same moment, to claim the triumph for which men have fought and suffered and died during 300 years of grim endeavor. Cook's return with the report of his success was a surprise to all but his close-mouthed backer. Of Peary's triumph was half expected. The courses of the two men lay well apart until they neared the Pole, and neither could find in the shifting ice of the region any physical trace of a predecessor. Still, his observations, possibly also their reports of land mapped near the Pole, should tend to refute or confirm each other. The Stars and Stripes have been set above the Pole.

Two Americans have planted the flag of their country in the land of ice which man has sought to penetrate for four centuries; and each ignorant of the other's conquest has flashed within a period of five days a laconic message of success to the waiting world.

## Both are Pennsylvanians.

In the great triumph for the supposedly unattainable and the seemingly impossible two valiant American navigators have shared. Both, incidentally, are sons of Pennsylvania and, consequently, both are Americans.

Cook is of German descent, a Pennsylvania Dutchman, of that hardy breed, persistence born in the blood, which dares much for little and will risk all to achieve. The other, Peary, trained and educated in the schools of the Sun, is a native of Cresson, Pa., in the very heart of the Allegheny mountains.

## Council Meeting.

Very little business, outside of the ordinary routine, engaged the time of Council on Monday evening. A protest was filed to tearing away a portion of High street to make room for the new extension to the Court House. As this would remove the sidewalk, there was a protest from adjoining property owners.

Complaint was made by several citizens for the bad condition of Allegheny street, also for the constant mud puddles, due to excessive sprinkling in some parts of the town.

No action was taken on the trolley franchise as there is some difference on details; the proposed route through the town is not satisfactory to all. These are matters that it is hoped will soon be amicably adjusted to the best interests of all concerned.

The street committee made the announcement that a state road through Bellefonte was now assured, and work would be commenced in a very short time.

## About the Court House.

Through the breaking of the engine that runs the steam drill, the work of taking out the stone in the rear of the court house was delayed several days the past week. Contractor R. B. Taylor was compelled to send away for an entire new machine. Gherret and Lambert just finished the new trusses for holding up the roof over which the tower rests, which had sagged about eighteen inches. Most of the lumber for the new addition of the court house is now on the ground so that the work will go right on after the cellar has been gotten ready. Architect Harris, of Philadelphia, is expected here this week.

## FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

## BUILDING.

What builds the nation's pillars high, And its foundations strong? What makes it mighty to defy? The foes that round it throng?

Not gold, but only men can make A people great and strong; Men who, for truth and honor's sake, Stand fast and suffer long.

Brave men who work while others sleep, Who dare while others fly— They build a nation's pillars deep And lift them to the sky. —Emerson.

Some men wear themselves out, and others merely rust. There is quite a difference between a many-sided man and one who is two-faced.

It is the fellow who is prepared for the worst who generally gets the best of it.

The man who has more money than he knows what to do with ought to get married.

## Entering the Ministry.

The parson was dining out. As he raised a substantial piece of chicken to his mouth, he remarked: "This is a case of a chicken entering the ministry." "Well," replied the host, "I hope he will do better at that than as a layman."

## Too Much Pleasure.

Hiram made his wife keep a cash account and every week he would go over it, growling and grumbling like this: "Look here, Hannah—mustard plasters, 50; three teeth extracted \$2. There's \$2.50 in one week spent for your own private pleasure. Do you think I'm made of money?"

## Lady Was Alarmed.

"What this town needs," said the speaker, "is a moral awakening. Let us rise in our might. Let us gird our loins. Let us take off our coats. Let us bare our arms. Let us—"

"Hold on, now," screamed a lady seated near the speaker, "if this is to be a moral awakening don't you dare to propose to take off another thing."

## Wasn't Sure.

A man who spent much time with bibulous companions arrived home late one night, and found his wife awaiting him. The curtain lecture that followed was of great length and virulence, and in the midst of it the man fell asleep. Awakening some time later he found his wife still pouring forth a regular cascade of denunciation. Eyeing her sleepily he said curiously: "Say, are you talking yet or again?"

## Married Life For Her.

The teacher was instructing her class on the advantage of making a definite aim in early life, and asking each member what vocation they thought they would choose when they had reached maturity. When little nine-year-old Jean was asked what she would choose, she gave the following: "I did think I wanted to be a school teacher; then I thought I would be a mission teacher, but now I believe I'd rather be a plain married lady."

## His Curiosity Aroused.

"What's the price of your best oysters," asked the old man of the waiter. "Ninety cents a dozen, sir," "And the cheapest?" "Ten cents a dozen, sir." "Bring me a dozen of the cheapest." After eating them, he called the waiter to him and ordered a dozen of the best. "Beg pardon, sir," said the waiter, "but you have aroused my curiosity; will you tell me why you ordered the cheapest oysters we had and then the best?"

The old gentleman smiled and said, "It's this way, friend, I've got a tapeworm, and I always feed him first."

## Fired, Anyhow.

Once when I was down on my luck and looking for a job, I secured work at a baker's. His first instruction to me was to go out and purchase a flat, marble slab, to be used in rolling out the bread. I searched the town in vain and was almost in despair, knowing that I would be fired if I returned empty-handed, when at last a desperate idea occurred to me. After night had fallen I made a hurried trip to the cemetery, selected a stone of the right size and carried it back to the shop with me. By 5 o'clock next morning I had over 100 loaves made up and rolled out; by six they were baked and by seven, all told—but before then they had all been returned and I was again out of a job, for on the bottom of each loaf, legible although reversed, was the following inscription: "Within lies the bodies of Mrs. Murphy's twins."

## A Long Swim.