

CHARGED WITH POISONING FAMILY

JACOB BAUGHMAN NOW IN LEWISBURG JAIL

FAMILIES WERE VIOLENTLY ILL

Details of Case Show Sensation—Arrest and Flour, it Was Shown, Had Arsenical Poison Put in Them—Domestic Troubles the Motive.

The arrest, a few days ago, at a lumber camp near Phillipsburg, of Jacob Baughman, charged with the poisoning of several persons near Lewisburg, has developed into a quite sensational case.

"Jacob Baughman, aged about thirty-five years, was arrested by a member of the state constabulary last week, and brought to Lewisburg for a hearing and was bound over without bail for a hearing at the next January court on a most serious charge of attempting to poison members of his wife's household at Laurelton. Baughman was employed on a lumber job at Cass, West Virginia, and was married to a daughter of Mrs. Annie Stitzer, of Laurelton.

Domestic troubles in West Virginia, caused a separation of the couple, and Mrs. Baughman returned to Laurelton to her mother, and Baughman remained on the lumber job. Some weeks ago he followed his wife to Laurelton, and endeavored to effect a reconciliation with her, but was not successful. He left Laurelton the next day. A short time after a bottle of a household remedy in the family of Mrs. Stitzer was used, and those who took some of it became violently ill. A sack of flour in the house was used for baking bread. Six loaves were baked from the flour, two of which were used by the Stitzer family, and four sold to Mrs. Carrie Lincoln. These two families became violently ill after eating the bread with strong symptoms of arsenical poisoning, and an investigation followed. Samples of the bread, flour and the bottle were sent to a chemist, and an analysis showed that all contained arsenic. The matter was laid before District Attorney Steininger, and the county commissioners authorized him to employ a detective on the case. A member of the state constabulary, C. B. Booth, of Troop B, of Wilkes-Barre, was assigned on the case, and after three weeks' work decided to cause the arrest of Baughman, who was located in a lumber camp near Phillipsburg, Centre county.

"The mother of Mrs. Carrie Lincoln is still quite ill from the effects of the poison, as is also Mrs. Stitzer, the mother of Baughman's wife. Owing to the serious nature of the crime, Baughman was held without bail for trial at the next term of court."

On Saturday Jacob Baughman was given a hearing in Lewisburg and pleaded guilty of attempting to poison his family, and was sentenced to three and a half years, minimum, and fourteen years maximum, in the Eastern Penitentiary. Considering the nature of the crime we hardly think the flog got all that he deserved. Such a man deserves little clemency.

Ramsay Air Line. Chief Engineer J. K. Howard, of Brunswick, N. J., working in the interest of the Ramsay Air Line, which passes through this community, is now in Indiana county with his corps of assistants, and will likely be in Centre and Union counties. Mr. Howard could not give any stated time for the commencement of operations in the construction of the railroad, which he claims will afford a much shorter route from Chicago to New York, but it is thought the date is not far distant. This line will run through Centre county as the Centre Democrat has before announced.

Hunting Land is Becoming Scarce. The opening of the game season is now in sight and the nimrods in this vicinity are taking down shot guns and rifles preparatory to going into the woods in search of game. The one law that the majority of the hunters in Centre county seem to forget is the trespass law. Farmers and other land owners may, under provisions of the law, prevent any person walking over or upon their lands by posting notices warning all persons from trespassing therein. The notices must be placed on conspicuous parts of the land to be effective.

Wholesale Arrests. Sixty physicians of Schuylkill county have been under arrest by Dr. R. J. Brauner, state inspector of health, charged with the violation of the act of 1905. This requires the reporting of the births of children within 10 days after birth. The state alleges the physicians neglected to do this.

COMFORTING WORDS. Many a Bellefonte Household Will Find Them So. To have the pains and aches of a bad back removed; to be entirely free from annoying, dangerous urinary disorders is enough to make any kidney sufferer grateful. To tell how this great change can be brought about will prove comforting words to hundreds of Bellefonte readers.

Mrs. William Crawford, one and one-half miles west of Bellefonte, Pa., says: "I suffered for a long time from severe pains in my loins and constant dull, nagging backaches. I also had headaches and felt dizzy when I arose in the morning. I was so tired and worn out during the day that I could hardly do my work and the kidney secretions gave me annoyance on account of their frequency in passage. I was advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box at Orient's Pharmacy. I had only used part of the box before I found relief and my kidneys are now in a normal condition. Doan's Kidney Pills did me more good than any other remedy I had previously used and I return it heartily endorse them."

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ABOUT BUFFALO VALLEY

Pioneers Had Their Share of Suffering From Indians.

Buffalo Valley had its full share of Indian troubles. In 1755 all the settlers men, women and children, were either killed or driven out. The massacre culminated at LeRoy Spring, in Limestone township, and the week later was fought the battle at Selingsgrove between the followers of John Harris and the Indians. The whole valley was deserted until 1768, when the land was again purchased of the Indians. In 1777 occurred the "Great Runaway" following the massacre of Wyoming. All the people again left the valley, but soon returned. In 1782 a party of Indians came from the West, following along the Shamokin Ridge, now called Winfield Hills, until they reached the farm of Major John Lee, who lived near the big spring below the old stone barn. Here they killed Major Lee, a Revolutionary soldier, John Walker and two others. They burn the houses. This same year, but earlier, the Indians killed Mr. Emerick, who lived just west of Winfield in Dry Valley. His wife and two daughters were taken prisoners and the wife and one daughter married Indians and years after returned to collect inheritance due to their dead husband and father. At a different time Kline-smith, who lived near Drexelbach church, was killed, and his daughter escaped from their captivity at the spring near New Berlin. These deeds will be commemorated October 16, this year, at Winfield, where a paper will be read on the old iron furnace, the old stone barn and other subjects of interest.

VETERAN 101 YEARS OLD.

Still as active as the average Civil War veteran, Benjamin Gill, of Marion county, W. Va., who is 101 years old, is in Uniontown visiting members of the Fayette County Veterans' Association. Gill served in Company E, Eighty-fifth Pennsylvania Regiment. He was 57 years old when he enlisted at Waynesburg, Pa. In order to get accepted he gave his age as 47. His comrades recall that his hair was gray during the war.

Mr. Gill attended school only three days in his life. He has chewed tobacco ever since a boy, but has not taken a drink of whisky for forty-eight years. His nerves are steady and he shaves himself, and says he can still bring down a squirrel from a tree with his gun. It is related by the veteran that when his mother was 96 years old she walked ten miles to his home in Ohio and knitted one sock on the way. She made this trip during the morning and stayed for dinner, and started back at 1 o'clock, knitting another sock on the way, and arriving back home before sundown.

How to Live Cheaply. Substitute comfort for show. Put convenience in the place of fashion. Study simplicity. Refuse to be bullied into a style of living about what is required by your position in society and is justified by your resources. Set a fashion of simplicity, neatness, prudence and inexpensiveness which others will be glad to follow and thank you for introducing. Teach yourself to do without a thousand and one pretty and showy things which wealthy people purchase and pride yourself on being just as happy without them as your rich neighbors are with them. Put so much dignity, sincerity, kindness, virtue and love into your simple and inexpensive home that its members will never miss the costly flippers and showy adornments of fashion, and be happier in the cozy and comfortable apartments than most of our wealthy neighbors are in their splendid apartments.

May Try Huston. During the latter part of next month or early in December a special term of criminal court may be held at Harrisburg at which Joseph M. Huston, the Capitol architect, will be tried for conspiracy, and Wells W. Dettweiler and Stoyisha Boshik for murder. Whether or not there will be a special session depends entirely, it is understood, on the decision of the Supreme Court in the allocatur on behalf of ex-Auditor General Snyder and ex-Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings Shumaker, who want to appeal from the decision of the Superior Court which sustained Judge Kunkle in sentencing them to two years in the penitentiary and \$1500 fine in the Capitol graft case. Should the grafter's action be dismissed the trial of Huston, who was granted a severance, will begin.

Surrounded by Fire. Fighting his way through the flames that were destroying his home, L. D. Herritt, of Jersey Shore, succeeded in saving the lives of six children on Thursday morning by jumping from a second-story window of the burning building. Herritt was awakened at 2 o'clock by the calls of neighbors, and found the house already filled with flames and smoke. The bed occupied by two of the children was burning, and one child's hair was ablaze, when the father grasped the little ones in his arms and fought his way out, returning and rescuing others, while his wife and neighbors assisted. When all were out Herritt found himself hemmed in by flames, and was compelled to leap from the window, escaping uninjured.

Say She is Common Scold. The charge of being a common scold has been made against Mrs. Susanna Suration, of Higgin's Corners, Butler county, was arrested on information made by Mrs. Maria Kohler, a neighbor. It is alleged that Mrs. Suration utters harsh and provoking words about her neighbors in the little town. Mrs. Kohler complains that the woman spends her time nagging, fault finding and trouble making. A score of women, it is claimed, will appear against the alleged scold to insist that she be punished.

Anglers for Bass Lands Watch. While fishing for bass in the Susquehanna river, at Lewisburg, William Strickland hooked a watch that had evidently been in the water for a long while. The hands were rusted off and the silver case badly battered, although after oiling the works the time-piece began to run.

There are reports that the wheat, in Penns valley failed to sprout on account of the lack of moisture.

TON OF STRAW

Philip Straw Claims Record For Heavy-Weight in State.

Here is a ton of straw, all bundled up in one family. Philip Straw, of Julian, proudly claims the record for having the heavy-weight family of Pennsylvania. The total weight of Mr. and Mrs. Straw and ten children is 2084 pounds. A glance at the list of members of the Straw family makes the Roosevelt theory seem a mere imitation. The list follows:

Table listing family members and weights: Philip Straw (272), Mrs. Laura Jane Straw (230), William Straw (196), George E. Straw (202), Bessie Straw (200), Olive Straw (140), Gordon Straw (230), Edna M. Straw (260), Elvie Straw (140), Mable Straw (102), Earl Straw (62), Verdie Straw (50). Total weight 2084.

One son, Chester M. Straw, is dead, having been killed on the railroad near Altoona, November 3, 1908. He was about 17 years old and weighed 185 pounds.

Philip Straw, head of this heavy-weight family, laughingly told of the ages of the several members. Throwing open his coat he remarked:

"There's some goods in that and as you see its pretty well filled out. It seems to run in our family to be strong and heavy. 'What do we eat to make us so heavy?' Nothing different from what other people eat. We work and eat what we please and are healthy. We don't get sick. Living in the open air is the best thing in the world if you want to be strong and feel good."

Salary Cut in Chicago. A cut of ten per cent in salaries of all officials and employees of Chicago from Mayor Duse's \$18,000 down to the lowest laborer, has been agreed upon by the mayor and department heads, it was learned Friday, for next year. This drastic measure was made necessary by the simple fact that Chicago has not money enough to maintain the pay roll at its normal level. The pay roll last year approximated \$15,000,000.

The cut before becoming effective must be sanctioned by the city council, where a big fight against it is expected. According to Comptroller Wilson, however, there is no other way of piloting the administration through its financial troubles.

State College Wants it. The State College Times Says:—Now that the governor has granted the Centre County Traction company a charter it is to be hoped that the corporation will begin work on the line at once, especially between this city and Bellefonte, for the major portion of the revenue will be derived from these two places. In fact we believe that the traffic from this city will be the heavier. No obstacles should be placed in the way of the company by our rural friends, for the completion of the line will be a boon to those living along the right of way."

Bolt Van Moschizisker. Prominent Republicans of Pottsville, headed by W. C. Wilson, William Wilhelm and Guy E. Farquhar, have decided to refuse to support Robert Von Moschizisker, the Republican nominee for Supreme Court justice. A mass meeting at the local academy of music has been arranged for Friday, October 15. The speakers will be ex-state Treasurer Berry, Henry C. Niles, of York, formerly state chairman of the Lincoln party, and William Wilhelm.

Kansas Visitors. Two sons of Haines township, who sought their fortunes in Kansas, arrived here last week and took in the fair also the Democrat office—they are H. B. Hosterman, of Lincoln, Kas., and Daniel Vonada, of Cinnamon Grove same state. They are doing well out there, we are pleased to learn from them. Mr. Vonada, before starting on his trip, threshed his wheat from off of 250 acres, and the yield was 3074 bushels.

Mifflinburg Woman Badly Burned. Mrs. Daniel Beaver, of Mifflinburg, was badly burned recently by the explosion of a lamp. The lady was in a closet looking for an article of clothing when the lamp burst, and she was enveloped in flames in an instant. Assistance was spoken in vain, the flames were smothered, but not before her right arm, side and back were severely burned.

Tyrone's Low Death Rate. During the month of September all records were broken in Tyrone in one small mortality rate—only one death occurring in that period and that was Mrs. Mary Stewart Woomer. This is probably the lowest record in the town's history.

Cold Slaw for These Deer. Deer are so plentiful in Franklin county this year that the farmers in the mountains, near the Mont Alto sanitarium, are losing money by their depredations. Silas Clizsar, a truckster, lost 400 heads of cabbage, the deer eating them in the field.

Prosperity at Burnham. Indications of returning prosperity at the Standard and the Logan companies works at Burnham near Lewisburg, are constantly growing brighter. The shipments of finished products from the plants have been also unusually large the past week.

Almost 500 New Students. Up to last Wednesday 499 new students had enrolled at State College, divided as follows: Freshmen, 424; two years students in agriculture, 54; special students, 5; students in advanced standing, 16.

A good definition for appendicitis, is "something that enables a good doctor to open up a man's anatomy and remove his entire bank account."

TO INCREASE STOCK

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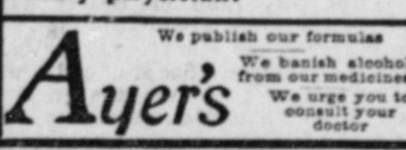
In the Centre Democrat two weeks ago we alluded to the subject above. In last week's issue of the Lewisburg Journal, there is the following:

A recent move by the Pennsylvania railroad in filing an application with the State Department at Harrisburg for an increase of the capital stock of the Lewisburg & Tyrone railroad may mean much to this section and the many stockholders in developing the road.

The stock of the railroad is to be increased from \$100,000 to \$700,000, clearly denoting that the Pennsy has something of importance to disclose later on in contemplated improvements and extensions. The route from Lewisburg to Lemont is a direct one and the Pennsy for several years has been endeavoring to secure a shorter route westward than it now has. The road from Sunbury to Lewisburg was taken over several years ago, and within the past two years the Bald Eagle Valley railroad was also acquired. In a route from Tyrone to Sunbury the Lewisburg & Tyrone railroad offers a route that is many miles shorter than either of the above, but there is an uncompleted link between Lemont and Scotia, Centre county, of about ten miles. The coal traffic from Tyrone east is very heavy, and if this connecting link should be built, it would greatly relieve the congested traffic on the other roads, and in view of the increase in stock, such a move is probable.

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