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## DELIRIOUS PATIENT CREATES A PANIC

### BECOMES VIOLENT AND SMASHES FURNITURE.

## NURSES' EXCITING EXPERIENCE

### Threatens to Kill Hospital Attendants—Wields an Iron Bar—Choked Nurse—Not Responsible—A Serious Situation.

Sunday night, at 11:30 p. m., there was a panic in the Bellefonte hospital due to the violent condition of a pneumonia patient who became delirious from the intense fever he suffered. In a frenzied condition he resisted the nurse and turned upon her, severely choking her and upset and broke much of the furniture about the ward. When help arrived he seized an iron bar and attempted to beat the attendants who came to the scene. Finally the policemen succeeded in overpowering the man and put him back to bed, but not until two men were somewhat injured, and all the inmates of the hospital fearfully frightened.

Sunday night a foreigner, working for the American Lime & Stone Company at this place, was taken to the hospital in a very critical condition, suffering from an attack of double pneumonia. His name is Carlo Unegona and has a brother working in the same operation here. When he came to the hospital he complained of great pain and weakness. He is known as a quiet, inoffensive fellow and, at the time, those about the hospital felt no concern for their safety, and regarded him only as an ordinary patient. Dr. Dale diagnosed his ailment as pneumonia, with other complications. He was assigned to a bed in the Fremont's Ward where two other patients were quarantined. The man developed a high temperature and that evening it reached 106, and with it came a restless delirious condition. During the evening the nurse, Miss Wetzel, found that he refused to take his medicine and she could not do anything with him. Later another attempt was made to administer the medicine as prescribed, with the result that he became troublesome and beyond her control. He jumped from his bed and struck her in the face with a rubber bag containing cracked ice with sufficient force to jar her. Miss Swope, another nurse on duty, came on night duty and came to the scene and the foreigner, in his maddened delirium, threw a cup at her that struck her in the face without any serious injury. The two girls tried to humor the man and persuade him to return to his bed, but that only seemed to arouse him to greater fury, when he began to "talk" with the nurses, and grabbed Miss Wetzel by the throat and jammed her up against the wall with the strength of a giant. He was managed to get away from the clutches of the raving maniac, and in the scuffle tables in the ward were upset and chairs broken.

This made enough noise throughout the building to arouse the superintendent and the orderly who, with several other nurses, came to the scene and were alarmed lest the other patients should turn out. The man, who is in the same ward, Alf Osman, a patient, managed to get out of the room when the first tussle took place. The other patient, Mr. Inhoff, of State College, ill with rheumatism, was partly delirious and had no consciousness of the scene being enacted about him.

At once word was telephoned to Dr. Dale of the man's condition, and he replied that he would have the police and assistants come to the relief. In the meantime Unegona began upsetting beds, and mattresses, and threw the clothes into strips. He created a regular panic in the ward. Several times the nurses attempted to go in and pacify him, but that invariably aroused him to greater fury, and some had narrow escapes, leaving beds to get up on their feet. The ward was provided with a railing over the top so as to carry curtains when it is desired to entirely screen the bed from the view of the other patients. The man tore these curtains, as well as his clothing, into strips, and seized the top iron railing of the bed, and pulled it from the socket, and this gave him a most formidable weapon. In the meantime several attempts were made by the nurses to rush in from behind and cover the man, with blankets and thus overcome him, but he was too wary and eluded every such attempt, and would strike at them with the bar with enough violence to cripple them. Then an attempt was made to take the "litter" in the room to wheel the other patient away from danger. The man was finally persuaded to lie on his bed, but he kept the bar in his hands and eagerly watched the nurses, and the first attempt to enter brought him to his feet and he aimed several vicious blows at the attendants which they successfully eluded.

They finally realized that it was useless for any of them to enter the room except at the risk of their lives, and they drew the door shut. The man mounted his bed, and, with every vestige of dress stripped from his body, he stood like a sentinel, with his rod of iron in his grasp, ready to strike the death blow to the first man that entered the door. Fortunately he did not attempt to leave the room, but said that he would kill the first one that entered.

Finally Policemen Justice and Duke-man arrived at the hospital accompanied by Fred Lane. They spoke to the foreigner from the hall and told him that he must quiet down and go to bed, and stop his fighting; he replied that he would knock the first one down that entered, and seemed to have no dread for an officer, something foreigners usually respect. Next they opened the door and attempted to frighten the man by showing a revolver, but as soon as the door opened down came the iron bar with a swipe that struck Lane a severe blow on the fleshy part of his arm, and the bar was bent out of shape. Another blow was quickly struck, but without much force that injured Justice's left hand.

The men quickly overpowered the patient and put him in his bed. The "straight jacket" was then secured and the delirious man was strapped down and held fast. Soon after reaction set in and he completely collapsed. The room was in a sadly dilapidated condition; broken furniture and rags, glass and other wreckage, covered the floor, the damage amounting to considerable.

Miss Wetzel, the nurse on duty, sustained a badly scratched throat, where the man gripped her with his hands; also sustained a few bruises, but nothing serious, the fright being the worst, and it was enough to unnerve most persons.

Unegona now is in a most critical condition and it is not thought that he will survive long. The intense fever that produced a rise in his temperature of 106 is something unusual, and caused some cerebral complications that turned the man into a raving maniac. This no doubt caused him to fear the nurses and the policemen and in his delusion, at the height of his rage, grew violent, desperate and dangerous. Delirious patients are not an unusual thing in a hospital, but this incident was so serious that it will be remembered by all those connected with the institution.

## MARRIAGES.

### Jordan—Yearick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Yearick announce the marriage of their daughter, Zelma Elizabeth, to Mr. Irvin D. Jordan, May 19th, at Howard, Pa.

### Welch—Barr.

Robert Welch of Alton, New York, and Miss Ella M. Barr, of Philadelphia, were united in marriage on Monday evening of last week at the home of E. W. Crawford, in Centre Hall, by the Rev. S. A. Snyder, pastor of the United Evangelical church. The couple will reside at Alton. Mr. Welch became acquainted with his bride while superintending the evaporating plant of the Centre Hall Evaporating Company.

### Shope—Moore.

Mr. Edward C. Shope, of East Altoona, and Miss Grace Moore, of Julian, were quietly married at Middletown, Pa., March 8th, by Rev. Wolfe of that place, after which the happy couple took an extended trip to Buffalo and other cities. After the honeymoon, they returned to East Altoona, where the groom holds a position as fireman with the Penna. R. Co. Both are well known in the vicinity of Bellefonte and have a host of friends. The groom was a former Centre county boy, residing at Milesburg. Their many friends wish them a happy and successful life.

## Does "Anyone Know Him?"

In our account of the recent fire at the Kline property on Spring street, several weeks ago, mention was made of the fact that George Eberhart, of the Logan Fire company, had been painfully burned about the arm. Last week Mr. Eberhart received two letters from Easton, Pa., in which a mother and a sister, sympathies were extended and imploring him to come home, to see them at once. The mother's letter was especially pleading and contained the information that she had read the account of his accident in this paper, and she had been away for quite a number of years, she would like to have him come home before she died.

Of course it is a case of mistaken identity, as Mr. Eberhart's parents reside in Bellefonte. But the serious side of the matter is that a heartbroken mother is anxiously awaiting the return of her boy—a boy who bears the name of George Eberhart. The letters bore the respective names and addresses of M. M. Johnson, 313 Warren street, and Mrs. J. L. Johnson, 103 Elm street, Easton, Pa. Any person knowing of the whereabouts of him who these people are seeking should communicate with the above addresses.

## Grange Organized.

On Thursday, March 19, a subordinate Grange, P. of H., was organized in Longanton, with a charter membership of 28 persons by J. A. Herr, deputy at large, assisted by A. G. Bloom, deputy for Clinton county. The following named persons were elected to the officers: Master, Dr. P. S. Mykoff; overseer, John R. Schrack; lecturer, Ray R. Williams; steward, E. C. Raudabaugh; assistant steward, Edgar A. Schwenk; chaplain, George H. Herman; treasurer, Mrs. Kate Mykoff; secretary, Miss Elizabeth Schrack; gate keeper, Russell Schrack; Ceres, Miss Nettie Schrack; Flora, Mrs. Della Kartetter; Pomona, Mrs. Kate Herman; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Cyrus Royer. This grange starts under auspicious circumstances and is expected to be one of the strong granges in Clinton county.

## Seyler in Prison Stripes.

Included among 11 convicts taken to State prison last Thursday by Sheriff Enoch L. Johnson and deputies, of Mays Landing, N. J., was William Seyler, sentenced to two years for robbing a clothing store where he was employed.

Seyler previously escaped conviction on an indictment charging him with killing Jane Adams, whose body was found in the surf. Seyler at one time lived in the eastern portion of Pennsylvania, and will be remembered by many of our readers.

## Pupillage at Tyrone.

The Herald, Fred Miller, of Tyrone, was tried for assault and battery upon Mrs. Catherine Hand, the housekeeper at the home of Daniel Ginter, the prosecutor. Mrs. Hand testified that Miller visited the Ginter house, called her by name and slapped her. Miller testified that Mrs. Hand had abused his wife. He visited Mr. Ginter for the purpose of lodging a protest. Mrs. Hand flourished a poker and threatened to brain him. The jury acquitted Miller and mulcted Prosecutor into the payment of the costs.

## Bad Fishing News.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the bond house of the McHenry Distilling company, of Benton, Pa., in which were stored more than 16,000 barrels of whisky, upon which the loss is over \$2,400,000, with the insurance only partly covering the loss. This is bad news for trout fishermen—the season about opening.

## APPOINTMENTS BY M. E. CONFERENCE

### WAS IN SESSION AT BLOOMSBURG LAST WEEK.

## CHANGES IN ALTOONA DISTRICT

### Where Pastors Will Be Located Next Year—Rev. Wilcox Goes to Waynes- boro—Rev. Youcom Comes to Belle- fonte—Statistical Report.

The Central Pennsylvania Methodist conference in session at Bloomsburg last week, adjourned at noon on Tuesday, with 120 ministers, going to their fields of labor, the largest number of changes in years.

The statistical report, submitted just before conference adjourned, showed a total membership of 71,194, a decrease from last year of 1282, while the number of probationers is 487, an increase of total Sunday school membership, 93,294, an increase of 11,870; Epworth League, 26,856; total church valuation, \$4,132,527; total parsonage valuation, \$713,050; paid for new churches and parsonages, \$115,285; paid on indebtedness, \$72,924; present indebtedness on conference church property, \$268,934.

For pastoral support, conference claimants, etc., there was paid \$310,051, an increase of \$4385. For benevolences, there was raised \$105,997, an increase of \$5983. The report of Conference Treasurer, Horning, showed cash receipts for the year as follows: \$127,904.58, with \$28,533.72 paid board foreign missions; \$25,788.10, board of home missions and church extension; \$7,345.58 to woman's foreign missionary society; \$7492 to woman's home missionary society.

As a committee on church federation, the following were appointed: Altoona district, H. L. Jacobs; Juniata district, J. S. Souser; Williamsburg district, E. A. Pfes; Harrisburg district, B. H. Hart.

When the news of the burning of 16,400 barrels of whisky in the McHenry distillery reached Paedrelli, members of the conference, announcement was made from the pulpit, and some of the members, unable to restrain their feelings, loudly applauded.

The appointments for this section of state will be found in the following:

## ALTOONA DISTRICT.

District Superintendent, Benjamin C. Conner, D. D., Altoona.  
Allegheny—Henry R. Miller, (supply.) Altoona—East, Otho C. Miller.  
Broad Avenue and Lyswan—Gordon A. Williams.  
Chestnut Avenue—George W. Faus.  
Eighth Avenue—Simpson B. Evans.  
Fairview—John C. Young.  
Fifth Avenue—Samuel D. Wilson.  
First Church—Horace L. Jacobs.  
Fleming—Andrew P. Wharton.  
Juniata—Charles W. Wasson.  
Simpson—Vought T. Rue.  
Walnut Avenue—Joseph K. Kniesly.  
Bakerton—Robert B. Foster.  
Barnesboro—George L. Comp.  
Benton—Andrew P. Wharton.  
Bellwood—Jeremiah B. Brenneman.  
Blainburg—John F. Cobb, (supply.)  
Centre and Sandy Ridge—To be supplied.  
Cherry Tree—To be supplied.  
Clinton—Trinity, Henry R. Bender.  
Eleventh Street—John T. Bell.  
West Side—Bert A. Salter.  
Circuit—To be supplied.  
Coalport and Irwona—William L. Armstrong.  
Curlwene—Edwin H. Witman.  
Fleming—Franklin E. Hartman.  
Glen Campbell—David J. Frum, (supply.)  
Glen Hope—Elmer F. Igenfritz.  
Half Moon—Abraham L. Frank.  
Hastings—William C. Wallace.  
Penna. Valley—J. Max Lantz.  
Phillipsburg—George M. Glenn.  
Pleasant Gap—Steward H. Engler.  
Port Matilda—To be supplied.  
Ramey—Thomas A. Elliott.  
Salona and Lamar—Willis A. Graham.  
Shawville—William F. Gilbert.  
Snow Shoe—B. Frank Ruch.  
State College—James McK. Reley.  
Wallaceton—George M. Frowfelter.  
Woodland and Bradford—William H. Hartman.

Superannuates—Geo. B. Agur, David F. Kapp, Truman Stephens, Lewis A. Ruddlell, Charles A. Biddle.  
Rev. Thomas T. Wilcox, of Bellefonte, goes to Waynesboro, Pa.; Rev. W. P. Shriver was returned to Lock Haven; Rev. Edgar Heckman goes to Hazleton; John H. Bamberly, to Harrisburg; William L. Chilcoat, to Irish Valley; Orris E. Swartz, to First church, York; William V. Gano, to Bedford; M. C. Piner to Mill Creek; Isaac Heckman, Petersburg; C. W. Rishel, to Fairview; M. S. Destrine, Third Street, Williamsport, are some of the appointments familiar to many of our readers.

## May End Soon.

With certain powerful influences now at work it is believed the civil war in Mexico will end this week.

Jose Yves Limantour, minister of finance, arrived in Mexico City and will begin with President Diaz a series of conferences, which it is expected will result in the announcement within three or four days of a reorganized cabinet.

Minister Limantour will present an explanation of the demands of the revolutionists and the changes in the official family of President Diaz, as well as the institution of certain reforms are confidently expected to appease the insurgents.

## Arbor Days in Pennsylvania.

Governor Tener appointed April 7 and 28 as arbor days.

## BOY'S GREAT STOICISM.

### With Foot Great Off Hung to Side of Fast Train.

Being caught riding "blind baggage" on a Reading fast train by Officer Frank Stryker near Sunbury, four boys jumped and made their escape on Sunday, although the train was going more than twenty miles an hour. The fifth rider, Benjamin Phillips, of Shamokin, caught hold of the hand rail and made an attempt to swing himself over the baggage car into the front truck. In so doing his left foot went under the wheels, and was ground off. Notwithstanding the terrible injury and his weakness from the loss of a great amount of blood, Phillips retained his hold and was dashed along in the air as the train sped on, until the next stop was made at Snyderdown. At that point he released his hold and fell to the ground in an almost exhausted condition. His first words to officer Stryker who was the first to go to his assistance were, "Stryker go to Sunbury and get my shoe, I want to keep it for a relic."

The injured boy was taken aboard the train and removed to the Ashland hospital where the crushed limb was amputated near the knee. The doctors say he has good chances for recovery.

## A TERRIBLE DEATH.

### Little Blanchard Child Falls into a Tub of Scalding Water.

An unusual accident cast a gloom over the town of Sunbury on Tuesday morning which resulted in the death of Daniel Joseph Martin, the 2-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Martin.

Mrs. Martin was washing some clothes and after pouring scalding hot water into the tub, and while her back was turned, the little child, who was playing about the room, accidentally fell into the tub containing the hot water.

The screams of the child attracted the attention of the mother, who hastened to the rescue, but when the little fellow was taken from the tub his entire body was a mass of blisters. A physician was at once summoned, who did everything possible to save the child's life, but it died yesterday in terrible agony. In addition to the parents, two brothers and three sisters, all of tender age, survive.

## Heavy Weight Cattle.

A. M. Risdel, of Salona, last week purchased of John F. Royer and Benj. Limber, of Madisonburg, two of the largest animals fattened in this county. Mr. Royer and Mr. Limber brought the animals from the same party when calves, and there had been a rivalry between them as to which could produce the best animal when fully developed, but when they were put on the scales last week, it was found that they weighed exactly alike, the weight of each being twenty-one hundred and fifty-five pounds. They were thorough-bred short-horn stock and were in prime condition. Mr. Risdel sold the cattle to F. L. Wismer, of Lock Haven, and it is safe to say that they are the heaviest cattle that will go into that market this year. Who in Centre county can beat it?

## War Clouds Disappear.

Just now the climate is abroad that there will be no war with Mexico and that Taft will give reasons for sending the army down to the borders, where our brave boys could see across the Rio Grande the Montezuma in the weight of each being twenty-one hundred and fifty-five pounds. They were thorough-bred short-horn stock and were in prime condition. Mr. Risdel sold the cattle to F. L. Wismer, of Lock Haven, and it is safe to say that they are the heaviest cattle that will go into that market this year. Who in Centre county can beat it?

## Insane Man Lost.

John Lewis, who suddenly became insane at DuBois a week ago and who started across the country for Clearfield through the woods and fields, is frozen to death on the mountains. His mother almost frantic asks the newspapers throughout this section to help her arouse the people to help her find her lost insane son. Any one seeing a few of his whereabouts will please notify the Chief of Police Logan of DuBois.

## Battle Song to Hangman.

Loudly crying out to the god of battle, chanting the warlike words of the brave father, Steve Rusic, a Magyar, marched bravely to death upon the scaffold in the county jail yard at Pittsburg, on Wednesday, to be dropped through the death trap.

Rusic had been a soldier in the Austro-Serbian wars before coming to this country. He shot Mrs. Bella Dombay, his boarding mistress, at her home in Stowe township, Jan. 15, 1910.

## Will Have to Stand Trial.

United States Judge Carpenter in a decision in regard to defendants to indictments charging ten Chicago packers with conspiracy in connection with the formation of the alleged "beef trust" yesterday ruled that the "immunity" secured by the packers in their case will not stand trial on the present criminal indictments.

## Far Away and Wants the News.

Miss Susan Egan, of Los Angeles, writes us: "Enclosed you will find \$1.00 for the Centre Democrat. I am so far away from home and would like to have your paper to hear from my friends in my old home state. I have been here two years now, and like it very much."

## Mad Dogs Worry Milfin County.

A 100-days quarantine for all dogs, a repetition of the closing days of 1910 in Milfin and the western section of Snyder county, is imminent with the advent of mild weather. Hydrophobia has been found to exist in four different sections of Milfin county.

## Registered Nurses.

The Pennsylvania State Board of Examiners for Registration of Nurses have issued a bulletin containing the names of nurses recently registered. Among the names published were Miss Artie M. Keller, of Bellefonte, and Miss Lizzell Stoner, of Salona.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR OUR MERCHANTS

### HOW OUR INDUSTRIES MAY BE INCREASED.

## ACTIVE ORGANIZATION NEEDED

### The Penna. R. R. Is Ready to Co-Operate in Such Movements—A Few Timely Pointers—How to Build up Our Town.

We hear much, at present, from our merchants about the needs of our town. That we should do something to improve our industrial standing is evident to all. There are some enterprises that need support, and there are opportunities of securing others if we only get awake and improve our opportunities. For that reason the following is submitted in the hope of arousing some sentiment along this line:

Announcing that the Pennsylvania railroad is ready to co-operate with local trade and other commercial organizations in the location of new enterprises in the cities on its lines, W. J. Rose, division freight agent at Harrisburg, has addressed to these commercial bodies a letter entitled "Suggestions for Board of Trade, Chambers of Commerce, Business Men's Leagues and Other Social Civic Organizations Seeking to Promote Local Development."

The Pennsylvania's announcement to these trades bodies closes by saying: "The Pennsylvania Railroad company has enlisted for the war and will co-operate with you as far as it consistently can, if you will now and periodically hereafter take account of stock and keep the undersigned fully informed as to the local advantages and other inducements you have to offer, to those seeking locations for new enterprises."

Quoting Woodworth Clum, editor of "Town Development," who recently made an address before the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Rose's letter says: "To promote successfully and solve the problem of local development, each of you must consider it as you do your individual business. What would it profit a manufacturer to erect a modern plant, equipped with the best up-to-date machinery and producing the best of a needed product, if he stored it in his warehouse and let it go at that?"

"The community has something to sell; vacant building lots for houses, stores, warehouses or industrial plants or similar plants for rent or sale; merchants and manufacturers to be patronized and professional citizens to consult, and a desire to determine the shelves of the local warehouse are filled with the commodity called local advantages. Is this stock covered with the dust of years or is it a curtain of cobwebs and have its owners forgotten their warehouse and its salable contents?"

"In these modern days of keen civic competition the handle of the big front door of that warehouse must be polished and the dust and cobwebs banished and the world advised of the quality, nature and utility of these wares, by advertising and exploiting them as we do in private business. For what is true of it, is equally and even more true of the public community interest for without active co-operation neither can thrive, hence the campaign of local promotion and development is no longer optional. There are three essentials to mental activity. First, to interest; second, to convince; third, to force action. Every citizen worthy the name is interested and it is comparatively easy to convince him of the necessity for action if supremacy is to be won, but the difficulty is reached in forcing action. You can hold meetings, talk and agree upon and agree upon what should be done, but the fighting volunteers are usually few and the majority are prone to shift the burden of work and worry to other shoulders, forgetting that united action is essential and every man's shoulder must be put to the wheel to insure success.

"Carefully assemble and compare your local advantages. Eliminate the disadvantages as far as practicable. Consider your resources, bear in mind the character of development needed and for which your locality is best adapted, then spread the news and tell the world about it. A city set on a hill cannot be hid, and your community must not hide its light under a bushel. When in contemplative mood, be prone to reflect upon 'piping time of peace,' but if you imagine that these are days of peace, it is because you cannot or will not hear the roar of battle. The battle is on, one of the greatest conflicts in American history—

that wholesome, uplifting, good-natured conflict between American communities for supremacy. It is no ordinary battle, this conflict between American communities, for contending with one another we are at the same time fighting a common enemy, that is legion with spies and pickets everywhere. It has three closely allied generals, Apathy, Lethargy and Inaction. They are deeply and strongly entrenched they think, but those trenches are only the ruts that so often retard but must never be allowed to halt the march of progress. Under the leadership of Enthusiasm, Energy and Optimism, the enemy can be routed and the opposition conquered and when the smoke of battle clears away you will find that you have achieved success and front rank among progressive American communities.

"The destiny is in your hands. The responsibility is yours and the challenge cannot be evaded. Will you meet it and succeed or shrink from it to obscurity and fall?"

## Getting Plenty.

About forty thousand campaign cards were printed in the Democrat office for candidates for the nomination to the various county offices to be chosen next general election. All are good men, and good looking in the bargain, which forecasts that the lucky ones will be the making of a strong county ticket to come out ahead at the election in November next.

## THE FIGHT IS ON.

During the past week there was no new development in the contest between H. C. Quigley, Esq., and sheriff Wm. E. Hurley, in the leadership of the Republican party in Centre county. The fight is on, and there will be no compromise from present appearances.

After our paper was issued last week, it appears our postmaster backtracked again, and consented to publish Mr. Quigley's announcement, but took special care to have sheriff Hurley's name first in the list. In fact, he was afraid to follow his first impulse, to ignore Quigley and refuse to publish the announcement in the Keystone Gazette.

We hear that Mr. Harter has enlisted the active services of treasurer G. G. Fink, and Davy Chambers, of Clarence, in the campaign to unseat Quigley from the chairmanship, because he urged the appointment of Samuel Williams, for postmaster instead of the "Gentleman from Snyder county." Fink is an aggressive campaigner, who is expected to swing the upper end of Bald Eagle valley. Chambers will handle the Snow Shoe district, Hurley will line up all of Phillipsburg, Harter will manage Bellefonte and adjoining territory, and the remainder will be parceled out to competent politicians. With such a formidable array of talent they propose to make our friend Quigley "step lively" between this and June 3rd, and they mean to do it, at least Bert Taylor is quite sure that they will clean out the old organization in Temple, and of which he does not speak in the most complimentary terms.

Just what Henry C. Quigley is doing to save his scalp, we do not know, but you can see him grit his teeth in the way the indices of the press, by no means, is a political corpse. He says he does not want the chairmanship, unless he has the support of his party, and that if the success recently attained by his party in Centre county inspires the confidence in the chairmanship he is willing to see a more satisfactory person chosen.

This fight is denounced by nearly all the republican candidates in the field, as they fear no good result will come from it. They are not in favor of the existing sentiment either. They are not willing that the political aspirations of one man should imperil or sacrifice an entire ticket—and there is some truth in the assertion.

## SPRING PRIMARIES.

At present there is some uncertainty as to the time for holding the annual Spring primaries in Pennsylvania. The present act provides that the election be held for the nomination of all party candidates on Saturday, June 3rd. A movement is on foot in the present legislature to change the time to some date later in the fall. There have been several bills introduced into the present session, but the primary election was set as October. That seems to be the wish of the Philadelphia politicians who are anxious to run the nomination and the general election together, so that opposition to gang nominations can not be successfully formulated.

Another bill provides that the nominations be made as late as September, which would be some improvement over the present situation.

In our opinion there is no need for such a change. The primaries now come at a convenient season of the year when the farmers are not so busy with their crops and have leisure to attend to their political duties. It makes it necessary for candidates to do their canvassing through the rural districts at a very warm season, and leaves the nominees little time to get over their districts, which our election laws are not framed to suit the conditions out in the country, but for the convenience and success of the ringsters in the cities who like to handle things by hook and crook for their own convenience.

## Milk Condensary in Operation.

The actual manufacture of condensed and evaporated milk at the big plant of the Continental Condensed Milk company at Mill Hill, was begun on Monday morning, and a caravan of farmers' wagons loaded with milk are entering the condensary, a considerable time before the whistle announced that Mill Hill's newest and most promising industry was prepared to begin actual operations.

Messrs. Fage, Ingraham and Spence, who have had entire charge of the construction and equipment of the big concern are extremely gratified with the smoothness with which all the machinery works after having been subjected to the most exacting tests.

It has been the aim of the success of the enterprise to get the plant into actual operation as soon as possible, and to work out the details later, the plant will not be run to its full capacity until the canning and packing departments are able to produce enough packages to fully take care of the output.

## Former Howard Citizen Meets Death.

The sad news was recently received in Howard of the tragic death of Charles Packer. A large number of that place, which occurred near Marysville, Mo., on March 18th. About a year ago Mr. Packer left Centre county for Ohio, and after living there a short time, he decided to locate at Missouri, where he met his death at the above-stated time by being struck by a passenger train. The unfortunate man lived out one hour after the accident occurred. He was a son of Nathan Packer, of Howard, and was aged 23 years and a month. Interment was made at Union, Franklin county, Mo.

## Died Suddenly.

After a brief illness of a few days, Samuel Shivers died suddenly at his home in Bellefonte, early this morning. While he had not been in the best of health for some time his death was a surprise to the community. At this time no particulars can be given for the funeral.