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**THIS AND THAT.**

Alex Dunn, Jr., was the hero of a battle with a big rattlesnake on the Elmhurst boulevard Sunday afternoon when the sun was setting. The reptile fought with desperate resistance. It was five feet long all but two inches, and weighed eleven inches in circumference around the thickest part of the body. Mr. Dunn, his wife and two other ladies were driving toward Elmhurst. On meeting a snake in the road this side of the point where the Scranton Gas and Water company's road converges toward the Williams' Bridge reservoir, there were two carriages stopped and the horses were prancing about. Theodore Straub was in one of the carriages, and a party from Moscow was in the other. Mr. Dunn drove up behind and inquired the reason for the action of the horses. Pretty soon his horses began the same caper, but he put the whip to them and drove by. Four rattlesnakes were coiled alongside the road and they were shaking their rattles. He went by a few hundred yards with the team, and returned afoot armed with stones and cudgels. Three of the snakes got under cover, but he engaged the fourth and destroyed it.

The West Chester, Pa., Daily Local News prints a series of short sketches of the students graduated this year from the West Chester State Normal school. "G. Arthur Fowler, son of Homer Fowler, Jermy, Lackawanna county, is of typical American stock. His father's ancestors came to this country in the Mayflower in 1620 and those of his mother, in the Bonaventure, in 1655. He has had two years' experience as teacher in the schools of his native county, and has worked also as a printer. His hobby is natural science and in some department of this he hopes to specialize." "Carbondale, Lackawanna county, is the home of Miss Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of the late William Monroe Thompson. She has taught for three years at her home, and has attended the Normal two years. She is an Arvan Mayflower in 1620 and those of his mother, in the Bonaventure, in 1655. He has had two years' experience as teacher in the schools of his native county, and has worked also as a printer. His hobby is natural science and in some department of this he hopes to specialize."

Thompson will be located at Ridley Park, at a salary of \$250.

Under date of June 21 Ensign Charles J. Fallon, of the United States Gunboat Dixie, writes as follows to his aunt, Mrs. "Philo" P. Fogarty, of Wilkes-Barre: "We arrived off Trinidad yesterday morning, and as there was a Spanish gunboat lying in the harbor we proceeded to show them how we could shoot. The engagement lasted about three hours and we just about cleaned out the harbor and town. While we were busy with the gunboat a Spanish man-of-war put out from a small bay about three miles down the coast and proceeded to shoot at us. We let them help themselves until we had silenced the gunboat and then we burst in on them. Our first shot over and past them, but the second went past the smokestack and exploded on her deck. She immediately ceased her firing and turned and skudded for the small bay out of which she came as fast as she could go. We continued firing until she was out of sight. I never saw a ship like this before. The heavy fire, especially very much frightened. The Spaniards are very bad gunners, while our boys are just the opposite. Our boys also behaved finely while under the heavy fire. For about three hours it sounded as if hades had broken loose. It is impossible for me to describe it on paper. We had six 16-inch guns and four smaller 5-pound guns going together, besides the shells of the enemy which were bursting around us. Fortunately, owing to the bad marksmanship of the Spaniards, we had no one hurt."

The Door of Hope is the name of a society recently formed in Wilkes-Barre. Its work will be the reclaiming of fallen women. It is intended that a new and cheerful home will be given the erring girls and women where they can receive lessons in household duties, such as sewing, cooking, etc., and that Christian teaching and educational work be taken up. The erring will be admitted only when willing and desirous when they so desire. The home will be thoroughly non-sectarian. In every case, an investigation will be made, before admittance is granted. It is thought that such a charity will be self-sustaining. The ladies to whom the project owes its existence are: President, Mrs. Dr. E. W. Barker; Secretary, Mrs. H. W. Kimer; Treasurer, Miss Margaret Porter; lawyer, Miss Mary L. Trescott.

P. H. French, night clerk at the Hotel Jermy, previously night clerk for several years at the Wyoming House, left here Saturday to become head clerk at the Onondaga Hotel, Lake Ontario. The Onondaga's manager is Frederick R. White, the last and one of the most successful and popular proprietors of Scranton's old Wyoming House. Mr. White has been fortunate in acquiring the management of one of the best equipped and most delightfully situated mountain hotels in the country. It will be kept open the year around. In re-employing his former clerk, Mr. French, he strengthens the attractions at the hotel by securing a most courteous and able assistant, one who is known as an estimable gentleman and hundreds of the traveling fraternity, all of whom have paid tribute to his many excellent qualities.

**PERSONAL.**

John P. Collins, of Carbondale, visited Scranton friends yesterday. Hon. T. V. Powderly, of Washington, spent yesterday in this city. Miss Carrie Trumbower, of Danville, is visiting friends in Scranton. Ralph Fouk, of Danville, is the guest of friends in Scranton. Miss McGarry, of Carbondale, called on Scranton friends yesterday. Mrs. John E. Roche, of Capouse avenue, has gone to Canada to visit relatives. Miss Mattie Gunson, of Chicago, is the guest of her mother, at 40 Quincey avenue. Miss Etta Levi, of Philadelphia, is the guest of the Misses Levi, of Scranton street. Miss Lilla Harding, of Binghamton, is visiting Miss Harding, of Washington street. Wallace Ross, the well-known oarsman, was at Lake Ariel yesterday. He spent last night in this city. Editor Benjamin F. Pride, of Susquehanna, was yesterday the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Summers, of Adams avenue. Emerson D. Green, formerly of The Tribune, now of the Morning Telegraph, of New York city, is visiting relatives and friends in this city this week. Mrs. G. W. Meyers, of South Deckera street, is attending the convention of the Christian and Mission Alliance, which is being held at Binghamton this week.

**RECORD-BREAKING DAY.**

Only One Fire and That Was a Very Small Affair. Scranton firemen say that yesterday was the record breaker among Fourth of July for many years. From 12 o'clock Sunday night until 12 o'clock last night only one alarm was sounded, and this, from box 48 at 11.15 P. M. was for a slight blaze caused by an explosion of a lamp on the South Side. As far as could be learned last night not even a still alarm was received during the day.

**TOO YOUNG TO WED.**

But Old Enough to Be Sent to Jail for Attempting It. For trying to induce a 15-year-old girl, Jennie Hendricks, to marry him, Louis Miller, 17 years of age, was arraigned yesterday morning before Alderman Miller and committed to jail in default of \$1,000 bail.

**THE MILE RACE.**

Mile race—Cornelius Marsh, first; Peter Curley, second; William Muir, third. Broadway race—William Johnson, Toronto, first; James Lamb, Brooklyn, second; William Cameron, New York, third. Sailors' hornpipe—William Johnson, first; James Lamb, second; William Cameron, third. Throwing 56-pound weight over bar—William Peter Haggerty, first; L. Moran, second; Clarence De Boy, third. Reel and Strathgery—William Cameron, New York, first; Robert Black, Philadelphia, second; J. R. Lamb, Brooklyn, third. Obstacle race—Leonard Hann, first; P. McCue, second; Angus Lindsay, third. Sack race—Leonard Hann, first; James McCue, second. Three-mile race—William Muir, first; J. Curley, second; Cornelius Marsh, third.

**FIREMEN'S DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS.**

Took Place at the Chemical Engine Company's Quarters. One of the best displays of fireworks in the business district was, strangely enough, provided by the firemen themselves. A large crowd on upper Lackawanna avenue and thereabouts thoroughly enjoyed the elaborate display of Phoenix Chemical company under the direction of Sergeant James W. George, Lincoln Tillman and

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**CALEDONIAN GAMES AT DRIVING PARK**

May Contents Decided in Presence of a Fair-Sized Crowd.

THE BALLOON WENT UP BUT ITS INTENDED PASSENGER WAS OBLIGED TO REMAIN ON TERRA FIRMA—RAIN INTERFERED WITH THE ATTENDANCE AND ATHLETIC EVENTS, BUT THE EXCELLENT PROGRAMME WAS CARRIED OUT IN SPITE OF HANDICAP.

The several downpours of rain and the failure of the balloon to carry its intended passenger into the air were slight drawbacks to yesterday's thirty-first annual games of the Scranton Caledonian club. But thus handicapped, about 2,000 persons saw the athletic games decided and the Caledonian celebration of the day was all that could be expected. Arrangements for the balloon ascension were delayed by the rain, but at 7 o'clock the big airship was nearly inflated and everyone expected a fitting finale to the day's programme. The aeronauts ran out of oil and it was over a half hour before more was procured and the inflating process again started. Again all the oil was consumed before the balloon was properly filled, but it was then dark and the ascension programme determined to risk an ascent.

W. W. Ocker, of Mansfield, O., with his parachute was loaded into the "cannon," a cylinder of wood about ten feet long and twenty inches in diameter. He was supposed to fire himself and apparatus out of the cannon when in mid-air and descend by the parachute to the ground. When the balloon was released at 8:25 o'clock it dragged its cannon and the latter's human load over the ground until Ocker fired himself and parachute out. Freed of the weight the balloon arose to the height of maybe 1,000 feet and settled in Green Ridge.

**THE SEA OF MUD.**

The noon rain caused a sea of mud on the little circular track fenced off in front of the grand stand. The several downpours after 2 o'clock stopped the contests. At 6:30 the rain resumed and were finished just before the balloon went up. The crowd was much larger than was expected, in view of the unfavorable weather. Music by the Citizens' band of the West Side was played at frequent intervals and buoyed the spirits of spectators, contestants and management alike.

**RAIN INTERFERED.**

Games That Were to Be Held Under the Auspices of the Irish American Societies Postponed.

There would undoubtedly be upwards of 3,000 people at Athletic park yesterday had not the storm intervened and spoiled the grounds for the field day exercises. The executive committee of the United Irish societies met after the storm which began a few minutes after 1 o'clock and decided to postpone the celebration until next Sunday. A large amount of damage was done and three persons were hurt in the wind and hail storm by the blowing down of the refreshment stands in the right field section of the park. Those injured were John J. Andrew, an employe of M. J. Kelley, and Philip Graf and wife who were hired to cut sandwiches. There was a canvas canopy over the stands and down it came in a heap with the hail and wind. These three were taken to the St. Cloud hotel. The electric wiring that had been temporarily put in to supply current for the arc lamps at night was knocked down and twisted all over the ground. Mr. Andrew was struck on the back by the fall of one of the poles on which an arc lamp was supported. His injuries are not serious, but he had to go home. Philip Graf received a painful gash on the calf of the right leg, and was bruised about the body. Mrs. Graf was cut on the face by a flying board.

**RAIN DID NOT INTERFERE.**

Picnic of St. Paul's Congregation Was Very Successful.

The picnic of St. Paul's congregation of Green Ridge at Sanderson's park was visited by crowds in the evening, despite the rain storm yesterday. Arrangements had been made for a dinner in the church hall at noon no matter how fine the day should be. The refreshments and eatables had not been taken to the park when the storm broke. The wind was very strong and blew down twenty feet the flag pole in front of the church. The pole was a solid piece of hickory and was one of the strongest raised in this city.

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