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## IT WILL BE AN ANNUAL AFFAIR

The farmers' picnic held at Hunter's Park Saturday was successful far beyond what was anticipated. The picnic, hereafter, will be an annual affair and if the well-laid plans do not miscarry the outing next year will bring together thousands instead of hundreds as this year.

The picnicers began to assemble about 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Long before noon the park with its hundreds of vehicles occupying all the open spaces presented such an appearance as never before in its history.

By noon there were probably five hundred people on the ground representing nearly every township of Montour county with a fair sprinkling from Point, Gearhart and Rush townships of Northumberland county and Hemlock, Montour and other townships of Columbia county.

Dinner was the first thing in order and seldom before were tables such as these spread in the park. The poultry pens this year are crowded and the chickens are fat; the gardens and orchards are laden with a yield that was never more luscious and naturally on this day of their annual outing nothing was too good for the farmers and their friends. Large tables surrounded by groups of families and representing in their sumptuous contents contributions from many sources were spread all about the grove. A spirit of hospitality was in the air and there were a dozen invitations for every individual who happened into the grove without his own well-filled basket.

Dinner over the pavilion became the great center of attraction. By two o'clock the familiar melody of William Fern's old-time fiddle was heard and the young people of the farm lined up for the dance, which continued during the afternoon. The older men found amusement in pitching quoits, while a large number of boys whirled away the afternoon playing ball.

The prime movers of the picnic were Mrs. George Leighton, Mrs. Charles Rishel and Mrs. O. V. Vestine. At the suggestion of these energetic ladies an organization was effected and plans laid to hold the picnic annually.

A meeting was called in the pavilion at 4 o'clock. The matter was discussed, after which an organization was effected by electing County Commissioner George Leighton president; B. L. Diehl, secretary and Jacob Shultz, treasurer. The organization is to be known as the Tri-County Picnic Association.

The following committees for next year's picnic: J. A. Merrill, William Curry, of Valley township; Charles Rishel, Cooper township; John Coleman of Limestone township; Jeremiah Diab of Anthony township; Rufus Bird, Mayberry township; Jefferson Betz, West Hemlock; Clarence Rishel, Derry township; J. O. Warner and E. G. Wortman of Mahoning township; C. V. Ammerman, Esq., A. C. Angle and M. H. Schram of Danville; Frank Hagelbach and Frank Enright of Montour township; Coleman county: J. B. Baird, Scout of Point township; John Eckert, Rush township and I. C. Yeager, Gearhart township, Northumberland county.

On motion it was ordered that the wives of the above named gentlemen be also included in the general committee. At a future date to be agreed upon the committee will meet to appoint special committees and to make other preliminary arrangements.

After defraying all expenses a surplus of \$3.40 remained on hand, which was turned over to the treasurer.

**Samuel Shawa at Sunbury.**  
Samuel Shawa, Sunbury's self supported detective, who is wanted at Williamsport on several charges is in these parts again, but manages to keep out of the clutches of the police.

Several months ago, it will be remembered that Shawa while boarding at Williamsport flim-flamed the boarding mistress out of some money by representing himself to be a detective and promising to transact some business for her. About the same time a Williamsport woman was attacked in the kitchen at her home one morning at an early hour and robbed. Several other burglaries happened about the same time. A young fellow by the name of Knapp, who boarded at the same place with Shawa, was arrested on suspicion. Developments connected Shawa with the case, but he in the meantime had skipped out. Officers from Williamsport followed him to Sunbury and Shamokin, but failed to capture him.

The other evening while Officer Whelan of Sunbury, was patrolling his Market street beat, he noticed a man leave a room in Cameron Park and toward the river. Suspecting that the man was fleeing because he had committed some unlawful act he started in pursuit. As the man passed under the arc light the officer discovered it was Shawa, but as he had a start of over a half block he escaped by dodging in a dark alley.

**Wonderful Tomatoes.**  
Heber C. DeWitt of Walnutdale, has broken all records in growing tomatoes this year. Two specimens were exhibited about South Danville yesterday which excited much wonder.

Each of the tomatoes measured 1 1/2 inches in circumference, one weighing one pound, and the other one pound seven ounces.

It would require forty tomatoes averaging the size of these to make a bushel.

## MANY BILLS WERE PAID

The School Board held a regular meeting Monday. The session was a lengthy one, although beyond the paying of a large number of bills, including those for the year's supplies, the volume of business transacted was not very large.

Borough Superintendent Gordy made a request for an additional typewriter for the Commercial Department of the High School. In all, he said, there are thirty-nine pupils taking lessons on the typewriter. The four machines in use accommodate only thirty-two pupils, the excess of seven pupils being obliged to take their lessons before school in the morning or during intermission.

It was the sense of the Board that nothing in the way of facilities should be omitted that might be needed to secure the very best of results and on motion of Mr. Pusey it was ordered that another Remington Typewriter be purchased.

On motion of Mr. Greene the Secretary was instructed to purchase two recreation benches for use in the Fourth Ward schools.

Borough Superintendent Gordy reported that the number of non-resident pupils is thirty-nine and that the amount of tuition paid is \$681.75.

Superintendent Gordy also reported that he had visited all the schools and had given special attention to the quality of work done by the new teachers. He was satisfied, he said, that the School Board had made no mistake in its choice of teachers for the several vacancies. He was especially pleased with the work done in the Commercial Department, while each of the new teachers give evidence of strength and are already accomplishing fine results.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to purchase a table for Miss Fry's room in the Fourth Ward.

On motion it was ordered that 3000 monthly report cards be printed.

James Hobbs Feeley representing Bridgeman's Historical School maps appeared before the Board and exhibited his series of four maps. The members were much interested in the maps, which possess many fine features. The directors did not wish to adopt the series and the matter was left in the hands of the Supply Committee to report at the next meeting.

In considering bills one or more were refused payment, presented by janitors, which included time for cleaning gutters. It was the sense of the Board that cleaning gutters is included in the janitor's regular duties and does not command extra pay. It should be done during the school term, on Saturdays or at intervals between other work while the schools are in session.

The following members were in their places: Dr. Harpel, Orth, Greene, Barnes, Pusey, Harp, Fischer, Trumbower, Adams, Jacobs and Werkheiser.

The following bills were approved for payment:

William Aton	7.50
Casper Disorad	.60
Morning News	.75
O. M. Leniger	141.90
Book Covers, &c.	86.90
Estorbrook Steel Mfg. Co.	38.15
A. H. Grono	10.50
Standard Gas Co.	.25
Thomas A. Schott	846.80
Practical Text Book Co.	35.00
Jinn & Co.	16.96
Maynard Merrill & Co.	25.65
Thompson, Brown & Co.	16.00
S. M. Trumbower	89.31
D. Appleton & Co.	53.90
C. W. Skelert	8.25
E. E. Shultz	18.40
Danville Stove & Mfg. Co.	7.65
T. W. Hale	15.90
Ezra Haas	.50
E. K. Pusey	13.75
D. C. Williams	42.25
John Hixon	43.79
Mrs. Rebecca Lovett	5.00
Reading Iron Co.	1.00
Washington Hose Co.	2.85
Martin Sinton	1.00
Mrs. Kennedy	1.00
S. W. Arms	5.77
American Book Co.	214.64
E. W. Peters	190.80

**Foundry Breaks All Records.**  
The foundry connected with the Danville Stove Works yesterday probably broke the record in the way of heavy heats. The amount of iron run was 44,000 pounds. On Monday the heat was 42,000 pounds.

The oldest employes in the foundry state that they have no recollection of ever running a heat exceeding that of yesterday. It was brought about by the fact that the moulders were all out, occupying every floor in the foundry.

The Danville Stove Works is one of our busiest industries, and the aggregate of time lost in the course of a year is small indeed.

**New Houses.**  
Three new houses being built by George Edmondson on East Market street are rapidly approaching completion. They show up very nicely indeed under their new paint and are quite an attraction on a spot where before were only a nest of weather beaten and dilapidated buildings. It is evident that all the improvements in the Borough are not confined to Mill street.

**Where Cucumbers Thrive.**  
Thomas Sanders, East Front street, raised a big crop of cucumbers in his garden this summer. From a little patch less than fifteen feet square he has gathered 3000 cucumbers. They crowded each other on the vines forming immense clusters. Mr. Sanders left a bunch in this office yesterday in which eleven cucumbers were growing together.

## PAVING BLOCKS BEING LAID

Agreeably to the announcement made in our last issue the first brick was laid on Mill street Monday. As was thoroughly appropriate, this the crowning feature of the whole process of paving was not without its spectacular feature and the first paving block was placed in position by Miss Helen Magill, daughter of R. D. Magill and a representative of one of the oldest families of the town.

The entire forenoon was spent in getting things in readiness. By one o'clock a crowd began to assemble, as by this time it began to be whispered about that the beginning of the work was to be attended with some formality, although it seemed impossible to learn who was to have the honor of laying the first brick.

Nearly an hour was spent in putting on the course of sand. This in itself was a new branch of the work and was looked upon with interest especially when the wide "crown board" brought into play to plane off the sand.

By two o'clock there were several hundred people present, among whom was Will G. Brown with his camera waiting to get a snap shot of the first brick being laid. It was a little after two when everything was in readiness. Up to the last moment few, indeed, had any idea who was to lay the first brick, although it was generally conceded that it was to be a woman.

All doubts were put to rest, however, when Miss Helen Magill was called through the densely packed crowd to a point west of the trolley track on Mill street, slightly north of Mahoning street where the course of sand began.

The young lady's part was soon played. She was handed a brick, which she took in her own hands and under instruction placed it in the sand, where it is to bear the burden of traffic during another and probably a brighter era of Danville's history.

The first brick in position, Miss Magill gracefully retired, while a storm of applause burst from the several hundred people assembled. There was something thoroughly meet in the proceedings. As street paving is one of the most marked improvements in Danville's history so Miss Magill is the great, grand daughter of General William Montgomery, the founder of Danville and the great grand daughter of Daniel Montgomery, for whom the town was named.

**An Early Morning Wedding.**  
The marriage of Miss Jane M. Lloyd and William J. Williams of this city was solemnized in Christ Episcopal Church at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. Rev. Edward Haughton, rector of the church, officiating.

There were some nice floral decorations, but the wedding was a very simple affair witnessed only by a small assemblage of the more intimate friends of the young couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams left on the 7:55 P. M. train for a trip to Philadelphia and New York.

The bride is a popular and well-known young lady of this city. She is a clerk in the local post office and has many friends among our business people. He is organist at Christ Episcopal church and is well known in musical circles.

Returning from their wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Williams will take up their residence on West Market street.

**Raising Cotton From the Seed.**  
Daniel Ross, Water street, has quite a curiosity in the form of a cotton plant, which is in blossom and is growing nicely.

A few months ago Oscar Mellin received a small quantity of raw cotton ball from a friend who lives in the cotton growing belt. Oscar extracted the seeds and presented a couple of them to Daniel Ross, who merely as an experiment planted them.

To his surprise they sprouted and in a short time notwithstanding that it was far out of its latitude began to grow nicely. It is now nearly a foot high, bearing some resemblance to a stalk of buckwheat. It bears a blossom which looks a good deal like a dogwood flower.

Daniel is watching his plant with a good deal of curiosity to see some sign of cotton developing.

**Bad Hill Will Disappear.**  
One of the most palpable improvements made by the reconstruction of the road to Mansdale under the Act of 1903, is the cutting down of the bad hill at the Western extremity of the old Fair Ground.

The long cut at that point has been sunk about three feet and it will have to go down about a foot deeper. The ground excavated is being carted just beyond the cut where it is used in filling up the road bed.

The effect when the road is finished will be almost entirely to abolish the hill at that point or at least to substitute for it an easy if a longer grade.

One by one the advantages of the State Highway become apparent as the work progresses and the method of construction is understood.

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## WILL REMOVE TO PHILADELPHIA

Miss Mary J. Wetzel, Librarian at the Thomas Beaver Free Library, has practically severed her connection with that institution and will remove to Philadelphia.

Miss Wetzel was chosen as librarian when the Thomas Beaver Free Library was first thrown open to the public and she has been continuously in charge until the present month when the resignation which she tendered last summer was not accepted.

Some formality yet remains to be complied with before Miss Wetzel's resignation can be accepted. Meanwhile she has been granted an indefinite leave of absence by the Trustees.

Miss Wetzel has filled the difficult and at times trying position of librarian most acceptably to all classes of patrons. Few persons are so well adapted by nature for such a position. Whatever the future of the Thomas Beaver Free Library may be its hundreds of patrons will always have cause to kindly remember its first librarian whose signal ability and whose courtesy of manner through so many years added to the general efficacy of the noble institution and made a trip to the library for the exchange of books an errand of real pleasure.

Miss Wetzel on retiring has appointed her niece, Miss Mary A. Wetzel, as her successor for the present. The last named young lady has been assistant librarian for some years past. She is thoroughly familiar with the duties and is well adapted for the position.

Miss Wetzel, the retiring librarian, and her mother, Mrs. C. S. Wetzel, will remove to Philadelphia where they will take up their residence with Miss Bertha Wetzel. The two ladies will leave Danville in a week or so.

**First Victim of Season.**  
Blaine Hoffman, nineteen years old, was so seriously injured in the first football game of the season at Lykens Saturday that he died Sunday afternoon.

Young Hoffman, who is a son of John Hoffman, participated in a football game which was played by two elevens from that place, at the local park. He was given the ball and started down the field for a touchdown when he was tackled by a member of the opposing team and immediately the remaining members of both elevens were mixed up in a struggling mass.

It was in this scrimmage that Young Hoffman was hurt and when the mass of arms, legs and bodies had been unscrambled he lay prostrate on the ground.

After some time he revived and it was thought that he was not slightly injured. He did not continue in the game, however, but was able to walk home after the contest with the aid of several of his fellows.

Upon arriving home he was seized with excruciating pains but still his injuries were not considered of a serious nature. The pains continued and a physician, after a diagnosis of the boy's hurts, discovered that he had been internally injured.

Hoffman gradually grew worse and died at three o'clock Sunday afternoon.

**A Site for the Scale.**  
The weigh scales, which are to be removed from Mill street, in all probability will be installed just west of J. B. Gearhart's store, Bloom street, on the disused alley recently vacated by resolution of Council.

Every one seems glad that the old scales are to be removed from Mill street. At the same time they are a public necessity and no more suitable and convenient site can be found for them than the one at Mr. Gearhart's store, which being open at each side will make it possible to drive on the scales either way and to leave by a convenient thoroughfare without any backing around or turning.

The old scales have been an institution on Mill street for very many years. Few of our oldest residents can remember back to a time when they were not there. The consensus of opinion seems to be that they were built early in the 40's.

The removal of the scales will take place at a very early day—probably next week in order to have Mill street clear for paving at that point.

**A Course of Iron Stone.**  
Mill street as is well known at one time was on the level with Blizard's run and during the many years the process of filling up was in progress all sorts of material were used in constructing the street. At some places, it is said, that cart loads of hot cinder were dumped in the low places. It was generally believed, therefore, that excavating for paving between the canal and the weigh scales would prove a difficult proposition. So far as the work has gone, however, it is found that cinder and the like lies at a considerable depth and that about the only kind of material to be removed to make room for paving is the course of iron stone, which was last applied. Beneath the iron stone is a course of clayey material or shale hauled in from the gravel bank north of the Borough.

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**Japs Near Mukden.**  
MUKDEN, Sept. 14.—The Japanese army is within twenty-one miles of Mukden. There is no indication of their advancing.

## C. E. YORKS IN TOWN

C. E. Yorks, Secretary of the Serrano Gold and Copper Mining Co., of which I. X. Grier of this city is President, and Myron Lowe of Lime Ridge, Treasurer, paid this city a visit yesterday in the interests of the above company.

Mr. Yorks has lost none of his old enthusiasm as he discourses on the future of the Serrano mines, which are located in Mexico. He is more firmly convinced than ever that the mines are destined to become famous among the world's largest copper producers.

Propos to Mr. Yorks' rose view might be cited in an article on the "Cananea Camp," in which the Serrano mines are located, printed in the "Wall Street Journal" of August 26. The article reads:

L. Lindsey, prominent in mining circles, who was the pioneer in developing the Cananea camp in Mexico, now made famous by the Greens Consolidated Copper Co., is in Boston. Mr. Lindsey has just sold to the Phelps-Dodge copper interests control of the Indiana & Sonora Co. in the center of the Cananea copper belt, in which sale over \$1,000,000 is involved. The property was acquired in the name of the Copper Queen Co.

Mr. Lindsey says: "I believe that the Cananea camp is destined to become one of the largest producers of copper in the world. It was only five years ago that the Greens Company began operations and it is today the third largest copper producer in the world, turning out about 60,000,000 pounds of copper per annum and it will probably soon be the second largest producer."

Mr. Yorks has a very interesting photographic view of the Greens Consolidated mines in his possession, showing the exact location of the Indiana & Sonora mines just sold to the Phelps-Dodge interests for such a fabulous sum. The photograph also shows the exact location of the Serrano Gold and Copper Mining Co.'s mines, which are a part of the same group and lie within a short radius of the most valuable mines in the camp.

**Spanish-American War Veterans.**  
The Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Association of the Spanish-American War will hold its second annual reunion at Milton Saturday, October 29th.

The committee of arrangements are very anxious to make the event a grand success and they ask the hearty co-operation of the Danville members of the Association.

At the reunion held at Williamsport last year Herbert Dreifuss, William Russell, and Jacob Strauser of Company F were appointed as a committee to look after the interests of the Association in Danville, securing new members, &c. The members of Company F in addition to the Committee of three above named who have joined the Association are Major C. P. Gearhart, Reinhardt O'Hesser, Danville; Dr. E. L. Davis of Berwick and W. R. Crawford of Cammell.

The Committee of Arrangements is composed of the following: B. B. Cannon, W. H. Straub, H. W. Chamberlin, Joseph D. Nicholas, H. H. Harris and Harry E. Davis. The committee from Company F is asked personally not only to look after the members belonging to the Association but also to hunt up the men who have not as yet joined and urge them to be present at Milton on October 29th, prepared to hand in an application for membership.

**May Install Electric Light.**  
A rise in the river more or less marked is looked forward to as the result of the rain yesterday.

Nothing would be more welcome to the ferryman. As things stand now it is almost impossible to make a trip across the river without the flat boat getting fast upon a rock and causing a long delay. Even the naphtha launches went out of commission yesterday owing to the low water.

Unless the river takes a rise the County Commissioners will blast one of the large rocks which lies in the path of the ferry and causes the most trouble. The County Commissioners at their next meeting will also in all probability decide to install electric light at the landing on the south side.

**Brought Good Results.**  
The good work accomplished by the State Board of Health in securing a pretty general enforcement of the law against toy pistols, dynamite crackers and other dangerous fire works is made manifest by the statistics that were compiled since the Fourth of July, and which have been made public. It is proper to state that the fight against these explosives was not confined to this state, but was pretty general throughout the country. The number of deaths from tetanus or lockjaw resulting from Fourth of July accidents last year was four hundred and fifteen. This year it is one hundred and five. Last year there were eighty-two fatal cases in Pennsylvania alone, and this year there were but seventeen. The board should feel that its work had brought the most satisfactory results, and the public should give the board's future efforts in this direction its most earnest co-operation.

**Repairing Crossings.**  
The P. & R. Railway company is repairing its several crossings in the Borough. Those at Center and other streets west have already received attention, while a large quantity of crushed stone has been unloaded at Bloom street preparatory to beginning work at that crossing. The ties will be replaced with new ones and there will be a general filling-up about the spot, all of which will improve things very much.

**Setting Back the Poles.**  
Superintendent West of the Standard Electric Light Company with a force of men was engaged yesterday in moving back some of the large poles on Mill street to make room for the resetting of the curb. A good many of these poles, although owned by the Light Company, are used both by that concern and the telephone company.

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## AN UNLUCKY LINEMAN

George Schley, a lineman connected with the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway Company, met with a terrible fall Monday night as the result of which it was necessary to remove him to the hospital for treatment.

Schley and a companion, it appears, were sleeping at Reichard's lime kiln near Grovania. When the companion awoke yesterday morning he was surprised to find Schley missing. He called for him but received no response. Much mystified he went to a house nearby and asked for assistance in instituting a search.

Below the kiln Schley was found in an unconscious state having taken a sheer drop of twenty-four feet, landing on a hard rock bottom.

The man was carried under one of the sheds connected with the lime kiln and Dr. S. Y. Thompson of this city was called. Schley was still in a dazed or semi-conscious state, although he could occasionally be roused to consciousness. In one of these intervals he explained that he had fallen from the top of the kiln.

Alongside his head was a bad contusion, while elsewhere about his body were bruises of greater or less severity, although singularly enough the man escaped broken bones.

Dr. Thompson was not clear whether Schley's condition was due to the terrible fall or the effects of coal gas inhaled from the lime kiln while sleeping. He rather thought it was due to the latter and expected to see him recover in a short time.

The injured man was removed to Stonge's hotel where later in the day he was seen by Dr. Phillips of Bloomsburg, at whose advice he was removed to the Williamsport Hospital on the 4 o'clock P. & R. passenger train.

The two men came to the lime kiln in the evening and finding the place warm and pleasant lay down and were soon asleep. The supposition is that during the night Schley overcame by the gas rose to his feet and in a dazed condition wandered along until he came to the edge where he fell over.

The injured lineman has been especially unfortunate in his time. A few years ago he fell from a high pole and fractured both legs just above the ankles.

**A Fine Crop of Weeds.**  
The abandoned grave yard on Bloom street has responded nicely to the fine growing conditions this year and has produced probably the biggest crop of weeds in its history.

During August in former years the weeds were cut down, which improved its appearance somewhat as autumn came on, but this year, it seems, the old grave yard was forgotten and the appearance presented is quite dispiriting.

But little has been heard of late concerning the proposition to present the abandoned cemetery to the Borough to be used as a public park and a site for the prospective soldiers' monument.

Connel is probably too busy just now looking after the various municipal improvements to give the matter the necessary attention. The proposition meets with popular approval and the cemetery will probably be in possession of the Borough by the time the Soldiers' monument is completed.

**The Large Maple on Church Street.**  
The large maple tree on Church street in front of the property of Mrs. Rebecca Sidler was trimmed by George Gardner yesterday.

The tree, one of the finest old landmarks in Danville, had grown to enormous proportions, its trunk being four feet in diameter and its wide spreading branches extending nearly across the street.

High Constable B. B. Brown is the tree for the statement that the tree was planted in 1842 and that he assisted in setting it in the ground.

For some time past the tree has been considered unsafe during high winds and the trimming was decided upon merely as a precaution against accident. Each of the limbs was sawed off close and after the process of trimming was over yesterday there was scarcely a vestige of green anywhere about the tree.

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## NO TYPHOID BACILLI FOUND

During the month or so past owing to several cases of fever reported over water supply has been regarded with some suspicion, as it is well known that the sewage of the Hospital for the insane drains into the river by a mile or so above the intake at the Water Works. All doubts, however, can now be put to rest, as the river water has been analyzed and so far as the typhoid fever germ is concerned is found to be pure and healthful.

Many persons became apprehensive of an epidemic and they thought that the city owed it as a duty to its inhabitants to have the water analyzed to the end that if pure all doubts might be put to rest and if impure the proper precautions might be taken to ward off disease.

A couple of weeks ago Dr. Stock took a trip to Baltimore and without their townships in repair some supervisors plead poverty, declaring that there is no money in their hands to pay for the necessary work. But the Courts have decided that this is an insufficient excuse. If a public road is in bad condition and the township does not have the necessary money with which to make repairs the law provides that supervisors may levy a special tax to cover the contemplated expense. This fact should be understood by supervisors, and make them more energetic in the performance of their duties.

Supervisors should be men who take enough interest in their duties to keep themselves informed upon the legal requirements of their position. A supervisor may be handed into Court and fined for neglecting to keep the roads under his supervision in good repair, as was done with one supervisor in Blair county recently. If the supervisors were to acquaint themselves with the provisions of the road laws they would be more competent to perform their duties.

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