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THE IMPORTANCE OF PHYSICAL CULTURE

Three things are designed in the gymnasium and athletic parts of the Danville Association outfit and work—health, physical education and recreation.

HEALTH.—No man can afford to ignore the fact that, like food, exercise is a constant necessity to preserve health, and that much depends upon the kind and amount of exercise one takes.

Under the direction of a trained instructor, with the apparatus of the gymnasium, the young men find the course of exercise and training which is most conducive to a healthy condition of body.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION.—Symmetry of development, endurance, quickness and beauty of action, muscular control, physical courage and self-possession, are things desired by every young man, and in large measure within the reach of every young man who persists in regular, systematic physical training.

RECREATION.—The Association stands for clean athletics. Such sports are moral and manly in their action and effect upon those who participate in them, are fostered. Methods that are unfair or in any way unmanly are never countenanced. The final result of Association athletic sports and gymnasium work should be healthy, well-developed Christian gentlemen.

The Danville gymnasium is well furnished with apparatus for individual exercise and for class drill, and regular classes are conducted giving systematic exercise to all the muscles of the body. Members are graded according to age, size, needs and proficiency, and every man and boy is directed to such course as he needs for best results. The baths have been repainted and are commodious and clean. Basin, shower and tub baths give opportunity for cleanliness which is next to Godliness. Classes begin today.

A Female Blackmailer. Chief of Police Waltz is quite anxious to get hold of a woman. She is young, tall and fair, with blue eyes and brown hair. Her clothes are plain but stylish and fit her to perfection. She is also credited with possessing a model figure. The young lady answering this description is a professional blackmailer and tried to execute her schemes in Sunbury, Monday, but failed.

The person in question is a fluent talker and well educated. She has several names and places of residence. To some she represents as Miss Dora Atkinson, of Boston, and to others that she is Miss Laura Dodson, of Syracuse, N. Y. She called on a number of merchants and professional men in Sunbury on Monday upon whom she tried to work the old game. Her stories were as varied as her names. At one or two places she stated that she was representing a concert company and was quite anxious to give a benefit here for some worthy charitable institution. She then requested a private hearing and if granted she managed to consume ten or fifteen minutes in explaining her methods, after which she demanded money, threatening to ruin the gentleman's character if he did not hand over the coin. Of course nothing illegitimate transpired on the part of the parties interviewed, but she had a prepared story she threatened to spread broadcast and which, if true, would cause unlimited trouble. At other places she claimed to be raising money for the maintenance of a consumptive sanitarium with the same end in view.

So far as is known the trap was laid for four different gentlemen before the matter was presented to the police. The blackmailer managed to get away.—Sunbury Daily.

Work of Removal Completed. The last span of the old river bridge has been altogether removed and nothing remains of the old structure but a memory.

The last piece of timber was taken away about five o'clock last evening. While the work of removal has been going on many relic hunters have visited the scene and taken bits of wood, nails, etc., as souvenirs.

The work has been under the supervision of John Barry an expert in this line. With the exception of the accident befalling Frank Wilson, no one has been injured, though a catastrophe was narrowly averted yesterday afternoon.

Frank Arms, while in the act of prying loose a wooden block, left his bar slip and fell onto the back of Stephen Raver who was working on a strigger just below him. As Arms struck Raver, or Joseph W. Oeler, another employe, caught the former and saved him from falling into the river.

The false work will be taken down today.

Funeral of John Eveland. The funeral of John Eveland took place from the residence of his son, George Eveland, Vine street, at ten o'clock yesterday morning. The services were conducted by Rev. E. B. Dunn, of the United Evangelical church.

The pall bearers were Samuel Pomeroy, John Brader, Jr., Daniel Bloom and Edward Rank. The funeral party left on the 11:25 Philadelphia & Reading train for Catwissa, where interment was made.

THIS ELK WAS FEROCIOUS

The unusual proceeding of deborning a bull elk caused a great deal of excitement at Hon. Alex. Billemeier's farm near Washingtonville yesterday morning.

For a number of years this herd of elk, consisting of 12 cows and two bulls, has been a great attraction at the Billemeier park and thousands of people have been attracted to the place to see the animals.

The elk deborned yesterday seemed determined to exterminate the herd. A week ago he killed a most promising two year old heifer which he chased into a fence corner and ran his antlers through its body. This action was deemed strange as the case is usually reversed, an elk like all other animals usually fighting for the herd instead of against it.

On Tuesday the bull again became enraged and killed another fine specimen. The animal killed was valued at \$100 and in order to save the balance of the herd from extermination it was determined to cut off the antlers of the ferocious beast.

The operation was performed by Harry Billemeier, assisted by six men, everyone of whom were needed. It was a most dangerous proceeding and before it could be accomplished the men were thrown around the pen like so many straws all of them sustaining slight bruises.

The first thing done was to lasso the animal which was only accomplished after a hard battle. Three ropes were used to hold him down and the horns were taken away in pieces. At intervals the animal would regain his feet and the task of controlling him was not an easy one. After three hours of fierce fighting the antlers were finally removed.

As soon as the operation was completed and the bull released he plunged into a creek running through the park and remained in the water over an hour. His spirit seemed entirely broken and he became as tame as any member of the herd.

The antlers of the elk are in great demand and it was with great reluctance that Mr. Billemeier removed them. In the spring of the year the antlers fall off and new ones grow in their place. The pieces removed yesterday will be retained until next spring when the roots remaining fall away and an effort to preserve the set in full will be made.

The affair caused great excitement around the farm and the thrilling spectacle was witnessed by a large number of people. The antlers removed, while not full grown, weighed 22 pounds.

Street Opened on Saturday. The paved portion of Mill street from Market to Mahoning street, was thrown open to travel on Saturday morning and the many drivers of vehicles were not slow to avail themselves of the privilege. The street had been closed since the first week in August and caused a great deal of inconvenience.

As evening approached the street became very dirty and much rubbish had accumulated. The small stones left on the street made driving inconvenient and proved a source of danger, not only to the horses but to the paving blocks as well. These stones should be removed at once as driving over them with heavily loaded wagons has a tendency to chip the bricks and spoil the appearance of the work.

Property owners are advised to fill in their pavements with gravel and not with small stones, as they are apt to be swept into the street and prove an unsightly and dangerous obstruction.

Excavating was begun north of the D. L. & W. crossing on Saturday and good progress was made. Weather permitting the street will be finished as far as the railroad by next Saturday night.

Last Sad Rites Performed. The funeral of Miss Kate Baldy took place from Christ Episcopal church Tuesday morning at nine o'clock.

The services were conducted by the Rev. George F. Broed, of Mount Airy, Philadelphia, who was rector of Christ church during the years 1888 and 1889, assisted by the Rev. Edward Haughton.

The pall bearers were J. W. Shannon, Esq., and Charles Watson of Philadelphia, Peter Matthews of Plainfield, N. J., W. B. Rhodes, Dr. H. B. Meredith and Dr. I. H. Jennings of this city. During the services J. W. Shannon, Esq., rendered a tenor solo with fine effect.

Those present from a distance were Peter Baldy and Miss Sallie Baldy of St. Paul, Minn., Fred Baldy of Boston, Mass., A. H. Baldy of New York, Miss Harriet Long and William Greenough of Sunbury, Peter Matthews of Plainfield, N. J., and J. W. Shannon, Esq., of Philadelphia.

Death of John Eveland. John Eveland, a well known resident of this city died at the home of his son, George Eveland, Vine street on Sunday night, aged sixty-eight years.

Mr. Eveland had been ill for a long time with a complication of diseases, an affection of the heart finally causing his death.

Mr. Eveland is survived by a daughter and six sons, Mrs. John Freeze of Lowell, N. Y., Leander of Catwissa, David and Daniel of Roaring Creek, William of Pottsgrove, Gera of Mt. Carmel and George of this city.

SCHOOL BOARD IN SESSION

At a regular meeting of the School Board held Monday eve it was decided to allow non-resident pupils who had secured boarding places in the Borough to attend the schools in the Ward in which they had taken up their residence.

It was the sense of the Board that the pupils who had moved into the town to attend school had established a residence and should be allowed this privilege.

The plan to district the surrounding country for the purpose of placing non-resident pupils in schools nearest their residence was abandoned until next term.

A communication from Miss Elfriede Weiss, instructor of music, was read in which Miss Weiss asked for an increase of salary, explaining the request by saying that additional duties had been placed upon her. The matter was fully discussed but no action was taken.

M. Fischer stated that a stone over the door on the new Third Ward building was in a dangerous condition and the matter was placed in the hands of the Building and Repairs Committee.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$8885. The State appropriation had not as yet been received.

Clocks were ordered for several of the school rooms and a number of minor repairs were looked after.

Those present at the meeting were Directors Harpel, Adams, Trumbower, Harig, Purcell, Fischer, Werkheiser, VonBlom, Greene and Orth.

The following bills were ordered paid: Teachers and Janitors, \$1738.00; Roberts & Meek, 337.44; Remington Type Writer Co., 74.00; W. H. Quinn, 1.00; Emery Shultz, 4.25; U. L. Gordy, 3.12; C. H. Schmidt, 97.08; Zinn Co., 47.21; Jas. Daily, .75; Montour Democrat, 17.50; American School Fairs Co., 29.40; A. F. Hartman, 4.75; O. E. Sweitzer, 1.50; D. C. Williams, .90.

Opera House Opens Tonight. The well known Murray & Mackey Company will open the season of 1904-05 at the Danville Opera House tonight. This company is well known in this city and their performances are always of a high order.

J. M. Donavin and Florence Morray will again appear in the leading roles and the plays to be presented will be lavishly mounted, special scenery being used for every production.

Alterations at the theatre are about completed. The new asbestos curtain has been hung and the new scenery will be in position by tonight. The new fire escapes and exit leading from the gallery onto the third floor landing are also finished, making the building safe in every particular.

The new system of lighting the stage will add very much in the giving of theatrical performances. Quick changes can also be made between acts owing to the new plan of scenic effects and altogether productions can now be given with more satisfaction, both to the audience and the players.

The play tonight will be "Blue Grass of Old Kentucky," a drama that has received the highest praise from press and public. High class vaudeville is introduced between the acts and the evening's entertainment will be most satisfactory.

Washington Co. to Attend Convention. At a regular meeting of the Washington Home Company held Saturday evening, David Evans was elected as delegate to represent the "Washies" at the Silver Anniversary Convention of the Pennsylvania State Firemen's Association to be held at Erie, October 4th to 7th.

The company also decided to attend the convention in a body and will be accompanied by their drum corps. The company will leave for Erie on Monday, October 3rd, by way of the Philadelphia and Reading railway. The special train will leave at 5 a. m. The fare for the round trip is \$8.75 which includes the privilege of a stop over at Buffalo either going or coming.

Those desiring to accompany the firemen can do so by making application to Secretary William W. Davis who will supply them with a card entitling them to reduced rates.

Hospital Appreciates Efforts. That subscriptions for the Mary M. Packer Hospital are most highly appreciated is shown by the following letter from the trustees of that institution.

"The Board of Trustees of the Mary M. Packer Hospital of Sunbury, beg leave to acknowledge through the columns of the Morning News the receipt of a check for \$53.00 from the ladies of Lower Mulberry street, Danville. The committee is composed of the following ladies: Mrs. Joseph Jones, Mrs. John Patton, Mrs. Lewis Woods and Mrs. Annie McCoy.

"The Hospital appreciates the efforts made in our behalf by the ladies and those assisting, and hope they will accept our thanks for the money received by us."

DANVILLE CITIZENS WANT GRADE CROSSING

RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED IN FAVOR OF GRADE CROSSING ON MILL STREET-- COMMITTEE WILL PRESENT COPY TO D. L. & W. OFFICIALS--A COPY WILL BE READ TO THE COURT ON FRIDAY --AUDIENCE ENTHUSIASTIC.

The announcement that the Board of Trade would hold a public meeting at the Court House last evening brought out an enormous crowd and long before the time set for the meeting Mill street was thronged with pedestrians from one end to the other.

The greatest enthusiasm prevailed when the object of the meeting became known to everybody that loyalty to the town and its interests was the vital necessity that was essential to victory.

At the conclusion of the address the following resolution was read by S. A. McCoy, Secretary of the Board of Trade:

WHEREAS, The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad now operating the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Railroad, passing over Mill street in the Borough of Danville, objects to the crossing at grade of said Railway by the Danville and Bloomsburg Electric Street Railway, and is seeking to prevent such crossing by injunction proceedings to compel the erection of an over-head crossing on Mill street.

THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Board of Trade of the Borough of Danville and citizens assembled, that the safety and welfare of the public require that such crossing should be at grade. That an over-head crossing would be far more dangerous to the public in its operation than a crossing at grade and that such a crossing will not be permitted by the Town Council of the Borough of Danville upon Mill street, such a requirement would prevent the operation of the said railway and deprive the community of its benefits both as a means of travel and as an agency to improve and increase the development and growth of the borough. That an over-head crossing would be destructive of private property and of public improvements now being made on Mill street and we request that these matters be found of sufficient consideration to permit the crossing at grade to be established.

came generally known. The grade crossing question has been prominent in the minds of Danville people ever since the sensational event of putting it in place was consummated last Thursday night.

At 7:45 o'clock Stoen's band in full uniform marched from their quarters in the Swentek block to the Court House. The route of parade was brilliantly illuminated with red fire and a long line of men and boys followed the musicians.

The court room was crowded to its capacity. The gallery and corridors were packed and many were unable to gain admittance. The audience was composed of representative citizens, including members of Council, members of the Board of Trade, merchants, professional men, etc.

The meeting was called to order at five minutes past eight o'clock by John H. Goesser, President of the Board of Trade. Mr. Goesser after explaining the object of the meeting called upon District Attorney Ralph Kiser who made an eloquent address.

Mr. Kiser among other things stated that an over-head crossing as proposed by the D. L. & W. officials was an impossibility. That Council would never permit it and in this action would be sustained by the people. He said that an over-head crossing would be detrimental to business, destructive to property, an unsightly structure all ways and a menace to property in case of fire.

Mr. Kiser said, however, that Danville people wanted the trolley line and that the only way to get the real benefit was to have it go over the D. L. & W. railroad crossing on Mill street at grade and that every citizen in the town should support a movement in consummation of this object.

The address was forceful and to the point. It showed plainly the obstacles that had to be overcome before the point could be gained and impressed upon the minds of everybody that loyalty to the town and its interests was the vital necessity that was essential to victory.

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OLD RESIDENT DROPS DEAD

William F. Gearhart of South Danville, dropped dead on Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock. He had just come across the river in a row boat and walked up from the ferry landing to the residence of Samuel Arms on Water street, where he stopped to rest. Before a chair could be offered him he dropped over and expired. Death was caused by heart failure.

There was probably no man in this vicinity more generally known than William Gearhart. His friends in both Northumberland and Montour county were legion. He was a familiar figure on both sides of the river and though never a resident of Danville his interest and loyalty to the town endeared him to its people.

Mr. Gearhart, though 81 years of age, maintained a vigor of mind and body that was truly remarkable. He was conversant on all political affairs whether national, state or county and kept in touch with all topics of the times until the day of his death.

On Friday night he had the papers read to him and seemed to be in his usual good health. On leaving the house Saturday morning he uttered no complaint and it was not until he had alighted that weakness overtook him.

Mr. Gearhart was a son of the late Harmon Gearhart and with a surviving sister, Miss Hannah L. Gearhart, was the last of a family of twelve children. He was born in the house where his last days were spent. The dwelling was built by his grandfather Captain Jacob Gearhart, a soldier in the Revolutionary War and one of the earliest settlers in this vicinity.

In 1832 William Gearhart went to California, remaining there until 1868. His experiences during this time were varied and he made and lost a fortune in the gold fields. While at Virginia City, Nevada, Mr. Gearhart became acquainted with Samuel L. Clemens known in the book world as Mark Twain and his reminiscences of the man were very interesting.

On returning home Mr. Gearhart laid out the town of South Danville which is located on what was formerly the Gearhart farm. It consisted of about 70 acres and was cut up into building lots, in the sale of which Mr. Gearhart acted as attorney in fact for the Harmon Gearhart heirs.

The deceased was a consistent member of Trinity M. E. church and always maintained a warm interest in church work. He was a liberal patron at all affairs given for church or charitable benefits and was ever ready to lend assistance. In politics he was a staunch Democrat and was a prominent figure at the Northumberland county conventions.

The funeral of William F. Gearhart, who died suddenly last Saturday morning, was held from the Gearhart home, South Danville, Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

The obsequies were attended by a large number of people representing both sides of the river. Mr. Gearhart was a man who possessed many friends and all who could possibly do so showed their respect for the deceased by attending the last sad rites.

The Rev. N. E. Cleaver of Trinity M. E. church, officiated at the services. He was assisted by the Rev. E. T. Swartz of St. Peter's church, Riverside.

The pall bearers were Harrison Kase, J. B. Laidacker, W. R. Clark, O. S. Smith, Olive Hoover and Peter Berger. A male quartette from the Trinity M. E. church rendered three selections most fittingly. Interment was made in Mt. Vernon cemetery.

Among those present from a distance were George D. Gearhart of Philadelphia, Mrs. Mrs. Oberdorf and Mrs. Mettler of Klinesgrove and William McDevitt of Sunbury.

This Line Up Should Make Good Showing. The "Old Timers" basket ball team have organized for the season of 1904-05 and judging from the players that are named in the line up, should make an excellent showing.

The team is composed of Frank Klase, John Barry, Ralph Gaskins, Frank Russell and Harry Welliver, the majority of whom played with the Danville team when it was victorious in nearly every contest.

The boys are under the management of Frank Edmondson who has arranged games with the following teams: Williamsport, Y. M. C. A., Allentown, Pottsville, Pennsylvania Railroad, Y. M. C. A., Philadelphia Wheelmen and a number of college teams. The newly organized club is practicing diligently and will endeavor to get into the pink of condition.

Through the columns of this paper manager Edmondson wishes to issue a challenge to the Danville basket ball team for a game to be played on Tuesday evening, Nov. 8th.

Picture of Sovereign Lodge. The "San Francisco Call," a well known California newspaper in an issue of September 22nd has printed a picture of a number of members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, which met in that city during the week of the 19th inst. In the group a good likeness of Charles Chalfant Esq., is shown.

Mr. Chalfant attended the meeting of the Sovereign Lodge as a representative of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. He was one of four prominent Odd Fellows chosen to represent the State.

SEPTEMBER TERM OF COURT

Court convened Monday morning at ten o'clock with President Judge R. R. Little and Associates Dr. S. Y. Thompson and Frank G. Bloo on the bench.

George W. Miles was sworn as foreman of the grand jury. That body retired to its room at 10:30 o'clock and later returned a true bill against E. F. Hulsizer for assault and battery.

An indictment of larceny was also found against Hulsizer. James Connelly and D. A. Steffen were appointed tipstiffs to wait upon the Court and G. W. Bennett to wait upon the grand jury.

A nol pros was allowed in the cases of Commonwealth vs. Alfred Blecher, Commonwealth vs. Fred Ryan and Commonwealth vs. Mabel Runyan. A divorce was granted Lucy J. Featherman against Elwood J. Featherman.

November 4th was appointed by the Court as a special time for the hearing of Civil cases. J. C. Heddens was appointed guardian of Beniah Heddens, the bond being fixed at \$300.

Court adjourned at three o'clock in the afternoon to convene again in the morning at 10 o'clock. The traverse jury will report for duty at this session.

The first case to be tried will be that of Commonwealth vs. Harry Davis who at the last term of court was indicted by the grand jury with assault and battery and an attempt to ravish.

A number of other cases were before the grand jury yesterday afternoon and the returns will be made this morning.

Court convened at ten o'clock Tuesday morning and before four o'clock in the afternoon had nearly finished all business for the September term. The reading of the judgment docket and the hearing of a few minor returns will be attended to in a short session to be held this afternoon.

The Grand Jury was discharged at 3 o'clock in the afternoon after having found true bills in the cases of Commonwealth vs. William Frantz, charged with desertion, Commonwealth vs. William Owen on a charge of false pretenses and Commonwealth vs. Fred Well. These cases were continued until the December term.

Before retiring the Grand Jury made the following report: To the Court—"The Grand Jury after an inspection of Public Buildings report as follows:

The jail buildings and grounds are in a neat condition. The dining room needs papering, also one half dozen curtains needed. Court House and grounds in a generally good condition. Two chimneys were found in need of repair. The ceiling in the Grand Jury room is in need of papering.

GEORGE W. MILES, Foreman B. L. DIEHL, Sec'y. B. F. Hulsizer who was indicted for assault and battery and petty larceny pleaded guilty when brought before the Court yesterday morning.

Hulsizer, while in a drunken frenzy had entered Thomas Tully's hotel in the Third Ward and pulled a bottle of whiskey at the same time assaulting Mr. Tully and badly bruising him.

The Court after a severe admonition sentenced him to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of fifty dollars and sixty days confinement in the county jail, the defendant to stand committed until sentence is complied with.

The rest of the session was taken up with the case of Commonwealth vs. Harry Davis charged with assault and battery with an attempt to ravish. The prosecutrix was Mrs. Ida M. Carl who testified that the assault took place on the "Dug Road" leading to "Bald Top" on the 18th of last May.

Many witnesses were heard on both sides. Hon. H. M. Hinkley, who represented the defendant, made an eloquent address as did also District Attorney Ralph Kiser.

The jury, which was made up of T. J. Rogers, E. F. Williams, Joseph Sherwood, T. W. Bennett, Samuel Elliott, William Thomas, Clarence Cleaver, Charles Robinson, William Lawrence, Elijah Bell, M. W. Hartman and O. M. Childs, retired at 3:45 p. m. The jury had not agreed upon a verdict until after his honor, Judge Little had returned to Bloomsburg. The sealed document will be opened at this afternoon's session.

Police Making Many Arrests. The police are determined to break up the carousing and lawlessness that is prevalent on Mill street in the evening, especially on a pay night. Repeated warnings have been given the offenders all of which seems to have no effect.

Last Saturday night a number of arrests were made. Charges of drunkenness, disorderly conduct, etc., were numerous and the microscans have had to pay for their fun by settling good sized fines and costs.

The officers will keep up the good work in a vigilant manner and will stop at nothing to maintain good order.

Have Equal Privileges Now. Ladies' Aid Societies of Methodist churches are now by the action of the last general conference, a part of the church organization. The president is entitled to the same privileges as the Sunday School superintendent, or the president of the Epworth League.

ARBOR DAY OCTOBER 21ST

Superintendent N. C. Schaeffer, of the Department of Public Instruction has issued the following proclamation regarding the Autumn Arbor Day.

The proclamation is as follows: The State of Pennsylvania now owns 632,987 acres of land which have been set apart for the growth of trees. This area is more than that of Lancaster county (973 square miles), the richest agricultural county in the United States. There are five hundred million acres of growing forest in the United States outside of our Insular Possessions. And yet it is estimated that the annual consumption of wood is twice as great as its growth. This fact shows the importance of forestry as a national industry. It is second only to agriculture.

The Pennsylvania Railroad has planted thousands of trees between Harrisburg and Philadelphia and has purchased large tracts of land for the purpose of growing millions of trees that will hereafter be needed in railway construction. Railroads generally are vying with one another in the adornment of vacant lots around their passenger stations. The cities are creating parks as breathing places for the multitudes. The schools are planting trees upon their grounds and along the highways so that in many instances the school grounds rival the grounds around the homes of the children, and the public roads are beginning to resemble the best kept streets of the cities. Increased attention to tree planting brings increased knowledge of plant life and begets increased regard for everything that is beautiful in nature.

In accordance with the Act of Assembly the Governor annually appoints Arbor Days which are observed in the month of April. Since many country schools are not in session at that time and since trees can be planted in the fall as well as in the spring of the year, it has become customary to observe an Autumn Arbor Day, the essential thing being to get the trees into the ground, and to give them a chance to grow.

Friday, October 21, 1904, is designated as Autumn Arbor Day with the requests that suitable exercises be arranged for the day. Let the newspapers be used to create public sentiment in favor of village improvement. Let the schools discuss the events which transpire under trees like the Charter Oak, the Liberty Elm, the William Penn tree, and others which have become famous in history. Let the economic value of trees be discussed, and above all let the trees be planted upon the school grounds, around the homes and along the highways so that the day may be profitable from the economic point of view as well as valuable for educational purposes.

Benton's Peculiar City Suit. The citizens and taxpayers of Benton, Columbia county, last evening secured a preliminary injunction against the Benton Borough Council, the Chief Burgess, W. O. Fullmer and P. C. Hatton and B. F. Redline, as defendants, to restrain them from proceeding with the erection of a water plant which was to have been begun today.

The people of Benton want the water plant but claim that the cost, \$11,151 is excessive and that a better system can be installed at a lower figure. They claim that this amount is 7 per cent of the assessed value of the borough and with other existing debts would run over the constitutional amount that a borough is allowed to borrow.

The contract for the plant had been awarded to Messrs. Hatton and Redline who have the Berwick sewer in charge.

The case has aroused widespread interest and will be one that will cause a bitter legal contest.

Bloomsburg Won Tournament. The second tennis tournament between Danville and Bloomsburg, which was played yesterday afternoon, on the West Mahoning street courts, resulted in a victory for the Bloomsburg players.

Both of the Bloomsburg teams played a good, steady game and won on their merits, although it is only fair to say that the Danville teams were not playing their usual good game.

In the sets between Righton and East, and Gosh and Clark, Bloomsburg won two out of the three by the following scores: 6-3; 6-1. Danville won one set by the score of 3-6. Maize and Allen played Jennings and Watson, winning the first two sets, both by the score of 6-4, thus giving Bloomsburg the victory.

Bloomsburg and Danville each won a tournament this season. The "rubber" will be played in the near future.

Dangerous Sidewalk. The torn-up condition of the pavements on Mill street is responsible for accidents of a more or less serious nature and that someone has not been badly injured is extremely fortunate. The pavement leading from the Phillips grocery onto the culvert is an especially dangerous spot. Four people fell at this point Tuesday, fortunately escaping unhurt.

The condition of the sidewalks are of course excusable to some extent owing to the improvements being made but the dangerous places could be made safer by the erection of temporary walks.