

"PLEADED BUT TO TRUTH, TO LIBERTY AND LAW—NO FAVOR SWAYS US AND NO FEAR SHALL AWE."

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DANVILLE, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1905.

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IMPROVEMENTS AT GAS WORKS

The Standard Electric Light Company is installing a new and much larger gas holder, which constitutes the most important improvement...

The Standard Gas Company sells 20,000 cubic feet of gas daily and the enlargement as proposed became a positive necessity.

About the heaviest part of the proposition, however, is the construction of the foundation which will be of concrete, and the contract for which is held by T. L. Evans' Sons.

A Strong Attraction.

One of the strongest of the coming attractions at the Grand Opera House, Bloomsburg, Thursday evening, will be the elaborate and beautiful production of Wilson Barrett's remarkable drama, "The Sign of the Cross,"...

Play Organize Cricket Team.

Rev. Dr. McCormack, pastor of Grove Presbyterian church, and his guest, T. W. Woodward, of Tioga, who has been in Danville for a few days past, were chosen as umpires at the cricket match between Williamsport and Bloomsburg...

Surprise Party.

A very pleasant surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. William Chapman, Saturday, at their home in Riverside. They received a number of beautiful presents.

Those present were: Mrs. Dennis Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Yeager, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Berger, Mrs. Entlerin, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. John Farley, Mrs. John Treas, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. El H Hoover, Mrs. Samuel Bucher, Mrs. Jerry Knorr, Mrs. Oliver Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hommer, Mrs. Parsel Hommer, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Yeager, Mrs. Fegg, Mrs. William Minier, Mr. and Mrs. George Wertman, Mrs. George Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Huber, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McClohan, Misses Julia Murphy, Claudia Yeager, Hazel Yeager, Kate Yeager, May Hammer, Verdilla Cashner, Irene Farley, Messrs. Walter Chapman and John Murphy.

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DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL

That there was not a wholesale jail breaking in Danville accompanied in all probability with murder is due wholly to the vigilance of Sheriff George Maier.

The inmates of the County Jail at present are as follows: David Barrett and Elmer Halderman, who are held for trial in connection with the hold-up at W. H. N. Walker's hotel on the evening of July 3d; John Sees, who is held on the strength of a statement made by his wife accusing him of causing the death of their child, and George Crossley, who is awaiting trial on the charge of assault and battery.

During Sunday the Sheriff detected a slight noise in the direction of that portion of the building where the prisoners are confined. It was a noise that had a peculiar significance to the Sheriff and he immediately went about an investigation.

Yesterday morning the Sheriff kept Barrett and Halderman in their cells and quieted their suspicions by telling them that he expected to have the plumber in the prison during the forenoon when it would be necessary to keep things closed.

Three officials went into Barrett's cell but found nothing. In the bathroom, however, cunningly secreted on the under side of a table was a jimmy and six hack saw blades, such as are used for sawing through steel.

It is interesting more than a theory that the club entered prominently into the plot to break jail. When each prisoner was all searched and the prisoners had found their way from the cage into the corridor it would have been an easy matter for one of the prisoners by feigning illness to have brought the Sheriff into the cage.

The next thing was to find out with whose aid the saws, jimmy and other articles discovered were conveyed or caused to be delivered to the prisoners. The Sheriff was not long in striking a clue and on the strength of information, which he lodged before Justice of the Peace Oglesby shortly before noon yesterday, John Seitz and Ralph Hahn, two young men of town, were taken into custody.

This witness swore that he knows David Barrett and Elmer Halderman but is not acquainted with either Seitz or Hahn. He heard them frequently spoken of, however, by Barrett and Halderman and were alluded to, as Seitz and "Toogly." On the night before the Habes Corpus hearing, he said, the two latter came to the back fence and Sees repeated a conversation which passed between them and the men in the jail, relating to some matter understood between the parties.

The work of sawing was begun in Halderman's cell. The saws all broke, however, before anything was accomplished. They then made a key to unlock the cell door.

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BOROUGH FATHERS IN SESSION

Action was taken by the Borough Council Friday which makes it exceedingly probable that the stretch of Mill street between Center street and the Borough line will be macadamized in the near future.

Mr. Vastine called attention to the bad condition of the above street and urged that the new law be taken advantage of, which provides that boroughs may share in State Aid for road building.

A communication was received from the Borough Solicitor reporting that among the delinquents for street paving is a claim of \$708.76 against the D. L. & W. R. Co., which still remains wholly unpaid.

Mr. Reifnyder reported that he had a conversation with Chief Engineer Ray, who explained that there was some objection to the division of the cost of paving and that the matter is at present in the hands of the Company's Attorney in Danville.

On motion of Mr. Gosser it was ordered that hereafter the Borough engine be rented out to parties at the rate of one dollar per day when used at a minimum charge of three dollars per week.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the same voters will meet at the premises of Caroline Knievisch and Anna E. Lechner on Mill street, for the purpose of assessing damages, if any, caused by the change of grade.

On motion of Mr. Gosser, seconded by Mr. Fenstermacher, the matter was referred to the Borough Solicitor, who is expected to be present during the view.

Mr. Vastine reported that in compliance with the request of the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway Company the Committee on Streets and Bridges has caused to be drawn up plans and specifications of the retaining walls, pavements and other improvements asked for on A street.

The following members were present: Gibson, Dietrich, Jacobs, Gosser, Fenstermacher, Dietz, Boyer, Reifnyder, Vastine, Swetsfort, Magill and Hughes.

The following bills were approved for payment: WATER DEPARTMENT. Regular Employees, \$188.00; Repairs at Water Works, 5.00; Curry & Co., 23.66; P. & R. Coal & Iron Co., 191.00; Franklin Boyer, 12.75; H. B. Patton, 20.00; BOROUGH DEPARTMENT. Regular Employees, \$115.00; Hoettinger & Dietz, 3.50; Welliver Hardware Co., 1.00; Labor and Hauling on Streets, 53.92; Foster Bros., 2.36; Curry & Co., 9.03; W. L. Sidler, 54.00.

Miss Helen Cayte Ramsey, formerly of Danville, and Dr. George S. Miller, of Philadelphia, were married yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gitt, Hanover, Dr. and Mrs. Miller will reside at 314 South 15th street, Philadelphia.

CONCERNING THE ELECTRIC BELLS

The electric signals installed last week at the Center and the Spruce street crossings by the P. & R. Company do not prove an unmixed blessing.

The residents have not yet become accustomed to the jingle at night and are considerably annoyed, a good many declaring that they are unable to obtain much sleep.

Another fact is plainly apparent and that is that if persons who use the crossings do not observe the precaution to remain off until the bells have stopped ringing the signals instead of preventing accident may be indirectly the cause of one.

It is clear under the circumstances that the only safe rule to follow is to assume that there is danger so long as the bells are ringing and to keep off the crossing until the signals cease.

Thirty-Three From Poisoning. The residents of South Danville and Riverside since Saturday night have been very much wrought up over wholesale poisoning attended with intense suffering and in which several persons narrowly escaped death.

The function took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Chapman, who sought to entertain their friends in a way to make the occasion a pleasant one and are very much grieved to find that through no fault of theirs so much suffering and anxiety have been entailed.

Mr. Johnson while here looked carefully over the local field and returning home held the matter under advisement for a few days but finally decided to accept. He writes that he will be here to take charge of the Association about November 1st.

The new General Secretary is a married man. He is a native of Maine and comes here from Saratoga Springs, N. Y., where he has been located as General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for five years.

Pending the arrival of the new Secretary on November 1st the work at the association will be in charge of C. Carpenter, Physical Director of the Y. M. C. A. W. D. Laumaster, the retiring General Secretary, will about town will kindly assist in affairs about the building.

During the month or so intervening no one interested in the Y. M. C. A. here will be idle and everything possible will be done to bring about conditions favorable for good work to the end that the new Secretary may start in without any handicap.

Frick-Kelley.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Donaldson Frick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William O. Frick, of Deal Beach, New Jersey, formerly of this city, and Frederick R. Kelley, of New York City, was solemnized yesterday at 10 o'clock noon at the home of the bride's parents.

IRON BRIDGE AND FERRY SOLD

The County Commissioners had a busy day at the Court House Saturday. In the forenoon they transacted some business with the Northumberland County Board and in the afternoon they held a public sale.

The Northumberland County Board was represented by Commissioners Beck and Raudenbush and their business related to the disposal of the ferry on other matters in which the two counties were concerned jointly as a result of the great ice gorge.

The bridge was sold first. It was described as eighty-two feet long and was supposed to contain eight or ten tons of iron.

Miss Deen was attended by Mrs. Walter Clark Teter, of New York City, as a midwife. Miss Deen wore a white satin trimmed with point lace, a bridal gift, and carried a prayer book with lily of the valley.

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Revisiting Old Home.

E. V. Flick, of Three Rivers, Mich., is spending some time visiting old friends in Danville and vicinity. Mr. Flick is a native of this county and resided here all his life until a year or so ago when together with his family he removed to Three Rivers.

DEEN AND ROSSER NUPTIALS

The wedding of Miss Sara Welch Deen, daughter of Mrs. Perry Deen, to Mr. Edward Morgan Rosser, of Kingston, which took place yesterday at 4 o'clock in Christ Episcopal church, was the nuptial event par excellence of many seasons.

Every circumstance seemed to combine to make the occasion more auspicious. The day, cloudy during the early part, grew clearer as the hour for the ceremony approached.

Before the ceremony Mrs. Clara Angell, of Harrisburg, rendered charmingly Luzzi's "Ave Maria."

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Will Attend Bucknell.

Miss Stella Lowenstein left yesterday to take up a course in music at Bucknell University.

REUNION OF 132ND REGIMENT

The annual reunion of the 132nd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, which took place in this city Monday in every feature was a well rounded success. There was a good representation of Survivors present and they were all in the happiest possible mood.

Our citizens showed their appreciation of the event by decorating Mill street with flags and by mingling in large numbers with the veterans at the camp fire at night.

The business session, which was held in G. A. R. Hall in the afternoon, was a very interesting and a busy one. Hon. James Foster, President of the local Committee, made the address of welcome on behalf of the Committee and the citizens of Danville.

Company E—James Foster, Conrad S. Aton, Adam Hornberger, Thomas Jones, Samuel Langer, R. D. Magill, O. B. Sweitzer, Henry Vincent, S. M. Waite, Frank G. Blee, of Danville; J. J. Bookmiller, Allentown; John B. Foin, Scranton; Levi M. Miller, Wyoming; Edward W. Roderick, Canaan; O. J. John H. Wallace, Philadelphia.

Company G—John McGovern, Manch Chunk. Company B—James C. DeGraw, Scranton; W. H. Reynolds, Factoryville. Company I—Thomas H. Allen, Thomas Barrowman, William H. Seelye, of Scranton; George W. Conklin, Susquehanna; Benton V. Finn, Dalton; Benjamin Gardner, Honesdale; Lewis G. Reed, Taylor.

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COURT WILL BE POSTPONED

Owing to the indisposition of Judge Little and the difficulty of securing a judge to preside in his place the decision has been reached to postpone the term of Montour county court which was to have convened on the 25th inst, until the week of November 13th.

The Grand Jurors, however, will convene at the Court House on September 25th, the regular date set for court, when they will act upon all bills pending, examine the public buildings, &c. In the absence of a President Judge the Associate Judges will occupy the bench.

The Traverse Jurors will be notified not to appear until Monday, November 13th, 1905, at which time will be heard and tried all true bills found in the quarter sessions and over and over again. All cases on the original trial list and all civil cases must then be disposed of by trial or settlement or they will be stricken from the list and can not be placed upon the same except by special permission of the Court.

The above information was conveyed to Probationary Thomas G. Vincent yesterday by Judge Staples of Monroe county, who will preside at the term of court here in November. The civil trial list is a lengthy one and contains cases that have been carried along since 1902. Judge Staples is thoroughly in earnest as to his intention of cleaning up the docket and will carry court into the second week, if this should prove necessary.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George West, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clouet and daughter Bertha, Mr. and Mrs. William Blocher, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parsel, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Heddens, Mr. and Mrs. Amanda Heddens, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Parper, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Shultz, Mr. and Mrs. William Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder, Mrs. Sarah Smull, Mrs. Maria Amesbury, Mrs. Mary Cromwell, Mrs. Kate Bookmiller, Misses Jennie Atte, Jennie Oberdorf, Ida Price, Alice Smull, Jennie Amesbury, Carrie Thompson, Sallie Hahn, Pot Hammer, Messrs. Weldon Galick, J. Warren Robinson, Dr. J. O. Reed, Thomas Murray, Lamar Hahn, Mr. and Mrs. Grier Quirk, of Bloomsburg and Ray Neyland, of Williamsport.

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