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RECEPTION TO MR. & MRS. LAUMASTER

The reception for Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster, held in Y. M. C. A. Hall last night to give expression to the high appreciation in which these faithful workers are held and the regret that is experienced now that the hour of parting has come was an event that will long linger in the hearts and memory of every person present. Seldom, indeed, is there an event in which every feature, every word spoken so keenly touched the sympathies.

From 7:30 to 8 o'clock Mr. Laumaster had before him the members of the Thomas Beaver Boys' Bible Class, little fellows ranging in age from some six years to ten or twelve years.

Mr. Laumaster opened with prayer, after which the boys—some sixty in number—sang heartily as is their wont on such occasions. Mr. Laumaster then gave a characteristic address quite within the comprehension of the little fellows. He tried to impress upon their minds the importance of a religious training and showed them the advantages that they possess over the children of the very poor who live in the great cities. He explained to them the change that was about to take place and exacted of them a promise that they would be as zealous in attendance under the new General Secretary as they had proven while he was in charge. As a parting verse he gave them the following passage from Proverbs, 3-5: "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart and lean not to thy own understanding." The boys repeated the verse after which they were dismissed with benediction by Rev. Dr. McCormack. As they filed out of the room Mr. Laumaster affectionately took each little boy by the hand.

Miss May Books rendered a piano solo, after which Miss Amman sang "Under Southern Skies" with Miss Books at the piano.

Mr. Scarlet was then introduced who spoke on behalf of the committee and the people of the community. His remarks were most touching—full of sentiment and beauty. Addressing Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster, who were seated side by side near the front of the hall, he told them how much they were beloved in the community and what a high estimate was placed upon their work. The world is better today than a thousand years ago, but it is so only because of the kindly influence of such men and women as Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster—because of the goodness and the purity they had inspired. After expressing the kindest wishes for them in what ever place their lot in the future might be cast, he produced a small package, which, on behalf of their friends in the community he presented to Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster as a token of good will and good wishes. The bulk of those present had no idea of the nature of the gift—but for the benefit of all the statement is here made that the gift was a purse of gold.

The valuable token of esteem was altogether unexpected by Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster. Notwithstanding, however, that he was taken so much by surprise, Mr. Laumaster made a response that fitted the occasion to a nicety, although revealing that his heart was very full. He told how anxious both himself and wife had been as to the result of their work—how it had been their aim to do just such work as Mr. Scarlet had placed to their credit. He said he was glad that he had come to Danville and that so far as any plans are formed at present there is no likelihood of their leaving soon. He thought they might be here a year, although in the presence of God they might be called to any field in six months or in one month. He felt indebted to many sources for the measure of success achieved—to the Board of Directors—to the Ladies' Auxiliary, to the press, which had gratuitously printed columns after columns to help the good work along. He concluded by making some practical suggestions as to the future conduct of the work.

Rev. J. E. Hutchison spoke very feelingly on behalf of the clergy and the Ladies' Auxiliary.

Irvin Yannaus rendered a solo: "Swinging in the Grape Vine Swing," Miss Books accompanying.

He was followed by Miss Luella Wertheimer who rendered a solo, very nicely with Miss Dival at the piano.

In conclusion everybody shook hands with Mr. and Mrs. Laumaster and a general good time was had for another hour.

BOROUGH APPLIES FOR STATE AID

The Borough of Danville has decided to apply for State aid in the reconstruction of Mill street. A special meeting of Council was held last night at which the preliminary step was taken.

The following resolution, signed by the Chief Burgess, the President of Council and the City Clerk, was unanimously adopted, which sets the proposition fairly on its feet and leaves no doubt but that North Mill street will be macadamized very soon.

"To the State Highway Commissioner: Whereas, the section of highway in Danville Borough being about 2035 feet in length and situated between the northern building line of Center street and the improved public road in the township of Mahoning, which has been previously constructed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at the point where the said township forms the northern boundary line of said Borough—whereas said section of highway is in need of reconstruction and

Whereas, Application has already been made for State aid in the reconstruction of another section of the same highway connecting with the section aforesaid, said connecting section lying in Mahoning township, and whereas, State aid is desired for the permanent improvement of the section of highway in said Borough of Danville under the Act approved May 1, 1905, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Council of the said Danville Borough in regular session in behalf of said Borough hereby petition for State aid as hereinbefore stated and be it further

Resolved, That the said Borough Council do agree for themselves and their successors in office to provide for the payment of and to pay from the Borough funds in the manner provided in the said Act one-fourth part of the expense of said improvement to the Commonwealth when due."

The assessment of damages by the viewers in the case of the Kucicinski and Kaufman properties on Mill street as related in another column was brought to the attention of Council by the Borough Solicitor. The members excepted to the awards and unanimously decided to appeal.

The following members were present: Gibson, Jacobs, Gosser, Dietz, Boyer, Reifsnnyder, Vastine, and Hughes.

COMMISSIONERS ARE HALED INTO COURT

John Beck, George W. Raudenbush and Allen W. Cooner, the County Commissioners of Northumberland county, who have so persistently refused to carry out the Court's order in relation to the building of the approach to the river bridge on the South side, have been haled into court at Sunbury. Acting upon the request of his constituents, Bruce McCracken, Constable of Gearhart township, in his return to Court, Tuesday, requested that the above named County Commissioners be indicted and tried on the charge of maintaining a nuisance at River-side, of negligence and of failure to do their duty.

The condition of the approach at the South side and the attitude of the County Commissioners toward the improvement as ordered by the Court has been the cause of much complaint during all summer. On the strength of the Constable's return, Judge Auton on Tuesday directed the District Attorney to present a bill of indictment to the Grand Jury.

It was thought that the indictment would be presented yesterday morning at a number of witnesses went down to Sunbury on the 9 a. m. train. Notwithstanding that a night session was held Tuesday the District Attorney was unable to reach the indictment relating to the approach yesterday as the witnesses came home on the 3:21 train. The bill will be presented to the Grand Jury this morning and the same witnesses—P. G. Baylor, O. R. Smith, D. R. Eckman, P. F. Startzel, Oliver Hoover and David Unger—will go down to Sunbury on the 9 a. m. train today to give in their testimony.

The Attorney for the Commissioners appeared in court and admitted that they have the approach to build. The witnesses do not think they will have any difficulty in establishing the fact that the approach, said to be one of thirty-five degrees, is a difficult and dangerous one, which during the winter when ice and snow become a factor to contend with will be well nigh impassable. Aside from the difficult grade the approach carrying as it does the track of the Danville and Sunbury Street Railway Company, is cramped and in a generally bad condition. An accident is likely to occur on the spot at almost any time.

The law is said to be very clear and is well established in the case of Penn. Township vs. Perry County, 78 Pa. State Report. If conviction follows the Commissioners may be fined. At all events they will have to build the approach or be ousted.

GRAND JURY RETURNS TRUE BILL

The Grand Jury Monday returned a true bill in the case of Commonwealth vs. John Sees, the charge being murder. Sees, it will be remembered, was arrested early last summer on the strength of a statement made by his wife, who was high up to death, accusing him of causing the death of their infant child. Mrs. Sees although given up to die has partially recovered and Monday was able to accompany her parents and the other witnesses to Danville. She is a mere child in appearance with a delicate refined looking face, which bears the trace of much suffering. She unconsciously attracted much attention as she moved about the Court house.

Agreeably to the announcement made in these columns Dr. S. Y. Thompson and Frank G. Blee, Associate Judges, are presiding at the present term of Court and they get along very nicely. The session Monday morning began at 10 o'clock.

The list of constables was called, all responding to their names, as follows: Amos Albeck, Anthony township; Philip Boyer, Cooper township; George Fursell, Derry township; Charles L. Gopfer, Limestone township; William Bogart, Liberty township; Charles H. Rudy, Mahoning township; G. W. Bennett, Valley township; Mont Gearhart, West Hemlock township; W. E. Young, Danville 1st ward; Edward Ritter, Danville 2nd ward; B. B. Brown, Danville 3rd ward; Benjamin Cook, Danville 4th ward; McClelland Diehl, Washingtonville; William E. Bird, Mayberry township.

The constables being sworn they presented their returns to court and were discharged.

The list of Grand Jurors was called, all responding to their names with the exception of Bartholomew James, who later appeared and took his place. Levi Fortner of Anthony township, was excused. Robert Auten was sworn in as foreman of the Grand Jury. Judge Staples, who will preside during the trial of the cases, the bills of which are to be passed upon, had prepared a charge to the Grand Jury, which he caused to be presented to the Associates and which was read in open court by Prothonotary Vincent.

Judge Staples' charge was a lengthy and comprehensive one and if carried out to the letter will redound to lasting good in the community. After explaining to the Grand Jurors their duties in the premises, the nature of indictments, etc., he adverted to some thirty laws, which he insisted should be strictly enforced.

The Act of April 18, 1905, provides that it shall not be lawful for a license keeper, proprietor, owner or superintendent of any pool room, billiard room, bowling alley, or ten pin alley in this Commonwealth, knowingly to allow or permit any person under the age of eighteen years to be present in such public pool room, billiard room, bowling alley or ten pin alley and that the owner or superintendent of such rooms, bowling alley or ten pin alley, knowingly allowing or permitting any person under the age of eighteen years to be present therein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars.

Also the Act of March 16, 1905, which provides as follows: That if any person or persons shall furnish cigarettes or cigarette paper by gift, sale or otherwise to any person or persons under the age of twenty-one years or he or she so offending shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than three hundred dollars and not less than one hundred dollars.

The legislature, Judge Staples went on to say, had in mind the protection of the young from evil influences, it being a conceded fact from experience that the associations around billiard rooms, pool rooms, bowling saloons, etc., are not good for youths and it has further been demonstrated beyond dispute that the use of cigarettes by young boys and youths under the age of twenty-one years has been of great injury to their physical growth and has caused a weakness and deterioration of their mentality. In the minds of many eminent physicians there is considerable doubt whether or not the effect of cigarette smoking by young boys has not a worse effect upon them than the use of intoxicating spirits.

Judge Staples called attention to the distinction in language in the two acts above cited. Relative to cigarettes the fact must appear that the proprietor "knowingly" allowed or permitted the minor to be present. But with regard to the furnishing of minors with cigarettes, or cigarette paper by sale or otherwise it will be noticed that there is no qualification whatever as to a minor without absolutely knowing that he was such it would be no excuse to a prosecution. It behooves every citizen of this community to bear these two acts in mind and having at heart the welfare of the community and the good of future generations, law-abiding citizens should have the moral courage to prevent the increased and dangerous use of cigarettes by boys and youths by having the manliness to arrest persons found violating this act.

The attention of the Grand Jury was

BALKY HORSE BACKS HOME

A balky horse maintained in connection with a business place recently opened in this city distinguished himself by a performance yesterday which cast far into the shade the antics of any other balky horse that ever held forth in this section.

The animal is a grey, a healthy abled specimen that does not differ from any other grey horse. With a small load of goods a boy connected with the establishment yesterday forenoon started to drive over to South Danville. The horse didn't want to go, but after many halts and by dint of much coaxing the outfit got as far as the court house.

Here the horse stopped and refused to go in any other direction than backward. The boy used the whip, and then got out and tried to lead the horse but it was the same old thing. The animal wanted to go home and seemed to understand that he would get there by backing. The boy tried to prevent this and turned the horse toward the curb. Still the horse backed and the wagon being of the platform sort was easily turned and the horse was half of the time looking homeward.

Time and again some kind-hearted and disinterested person came to the boy's assistance and got the horse headed in the right direction. The animal could be induced to take about two steps forward when he stopped short and with a sudden vicious look repeated the process of backing around in a circle.

All the time he was getting on further and further down the street and in the course of an hour and a half he had retraced his way as far as the canal curbed.

At this juncture the Chief-of-Police took the matter in hand. Stepping up he took hold at the bit. To the grey horse, however, all men looked alike. He took two steps forward and then spun around in a ring three times like a top taking the man in blue uniform along with him.

The boy explained. Said he: "We bought the horse over the river. The man said he wouldn't balk and he wouldn't do nothing and he gave us a certificate that he wouldn't."

As the town clock struck 12 the boy gave up the fight and drove back to the business place.

RALLY DAY AT SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Sunday was observed as Rally Day at the Presbyterian Sabbath schools in this city. At each of the schools the usual lesson was omitted and a program especially arranged for the occasion substituted in its stead.

At the Mahoning Presbyterian church the attendance numbered 250, and included many older persons—ex-members of the school. Solos and duets were rendered by Mrs. James Scarlet, Miss Sara Vastine and Miss Ella Lyon. A concert solo, "Palm Branches," was most pleasingly rendered by Master Harry Lattimer.

Addresses appropriate to the day were made by the pastor, Rev. James E. Hutchison and by the superintendent, H. B. Shultz and assistant superintendent, David Shelhart. A collection, which was taken up for the benefit of the school, amounted to \$216.15.

The rally at the East End Mission brought out an attendance that packed the hall, the occasion on the whole being one that augurs well for the success of the year's work.

Miss Mary Derr, of Lewisburg, sang three selections as follows: "Open the Gates of the Temple," "Face to Face," and "The Half Has Never Been Told." Miss Derr is an accomplished vocalist and her singing lent an especial charm to the rally. The East End Mission has a very fine choir and the singing on the whole was quite an inspiring feature.

Hon. H. M. Hinckley, the Superintendent, delivered an address on "Why Must We Rally?" Mr. Hinckley is an energetic Sunday school worker. He has the success of the East End Mission very close to his heart and his remarks yesterday showed the necessity of regular attendance and of devoted conscientious effort on the part of all if the Sunday school at the East End Mission is to be an unqualified success.

At the Grove Presbyterian church the usual Rally Day program was followed. An address was made by the pastor, Rev. Dr. William C. McCormack.

GRAND JURY STILL AT WORK

The Grand Jury will probably wind up its work today. Yesterday afternoon only a couple of bills remained to be acted upon, after which all that remained to be done was for the Grand Jury to make a tour of the public buildings and present its report.

All day Tuesday was occupied with the several bills, in which John Sees, Elmer Halderman and David Barrett figured in one or other of the different counts. The trio it would seem by the indictments have offended variously and by their recent attempt to break jail have become involved in an additional charge of "Conspiracy to kill and murder." The returns of the Grand Jury read as follows:

Commonwealth vs. John Sees, David Barrett and Elmer Halderman. Charge "Breaking Jail." A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Sees, David Barrett and Elmer Halderman. Charge "Conspiracy to kill and murder." A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. John Seitz and Ralph Hahn. Charge "Aiding and assisting prisoners to escape." Grand Jury returns a true bill.

Commonwealth vs. David Barrett and Elmer Halderman. Charge "Assault and battery with intent to rob." "Assault and battery with intent to kill." Grand Jury returns a true bill on all counts.

Commonwealth vs. David Barrett. Charge "Assault and battery with intent." A true bill.

In the case of Commonwealth vs. Stever Raver the Grand Jury ignored the bill and placed the costs upon the prosecutor, Thomas McBryan.

The latter case grew out of a dispute over change on a Danville and Bloomsburg trolley car between Raver, who was conductor, and McBryan, a passenger.

THE JEWISH NEW YEAR

The Jewish New Year will begin at sunset, Friday, the 29th inst., and will be celebrated the whole day Saturday following. From the four corners of the earth during this time the prayers of the Jews will ascend to the Throne of Mercy, thanking the Giver of All for the blessings of life, health, peace and prosperity enjoyed during the past year and imploring a continuance of the same blessings during the year to come.

Through the courtesy of Rabbi Joseph Zelsler of the B'nai Zion Congregation the following interesting data concerning the Jewish New Year have been obtained. The services in the synagogue here will be very impressive. They will begin at 7 p. m. on Friday. At the morning service on Saturday the trumpet will be blown three times according to the Lord's commandment. The trumpet alluded to is a ram's horn, prepared in the Holy Land. Figuratively, the first blast is designed to awaken the sleepy from a condition of lethargy, as life here is one of work in the gardens of charity for the betterment of mankind; the second blast idealizes the preparation necessary in undertaking noble deeds.

There is a slight difference in the ritual of the so-called Orthodox and the Reformed Jews. The services among the Reformed Jews are mostly in the language of the land where they reside, the only exception being in the case of old people and foreigners. The minister of the Temple B'nai Zion, here, Rabbi Zelsler, reads the liturgy mostly in English and makes it a rule that in all evening services the sermon is in the vernacular, while at the morning service the preaching is in the German language.

The New Year, called "Rosh-Hashonah," is celebrated according to the Bible on the first day of the seventh month, Tishri, and the Jews are commanded to congregate in a holy convocation. Yom-Kippur, the Day of Atonement, occurs on the 10th day of Tishri and will be celebrated by the Jews on the 9th of October.

As in the case of all Jewish holidays Yom Kippur begins with sunset on Sunday evening, October 8th, as according to the Scriptures the day begins with the evening.

Yom Kippur with the Jews is the holiest of all holidays, and is kept as a Sabbath of the Sabbaths, a day of strict abstinence from all work and earthly pleasures, a day of repentance of public and strict confession, a day of forgiveness and good resolution for the future. The strict followers of the Bible deny their physical body all food for 34 hours.

A part of the Yom Kippur morning service is the "memorial service," where for departed ones special prayers are said and their names mentioned.

The final feature of the Yom Kippur service is the "Neilah" or the concluding prayers, which promises to be very solemn this year. Just before the benediction is given we hear again the sound of the trumpet called "Shofar," which signifies the time to return to earthly work.

The third and the last of the Holy Days of the season is the Feast of the Tabernacle, which is celebrated after the harvest. The celebration of "Succoth," which means a Tabernacle, begins on the 15th day of Tishri, or on the 14th day of October and continues seven days of which the first day only is celebrated in the church, the remaining days being devoted to pleasant intercourse with friends and neighbors.

Chapel in Residence.

Bishop James Henry Darlington, of the Episcopal diocese of Harrisburg, has taken up permanent residence in Williamsport. He has expended \$1000 in fitting up a large room on the first floor of his home as a chapel for public worship, and an invitation is extended to any who care to avail themselves to repair to this chapel at any time of the day for prayers.

There are an altar with brass altar rail, rich pews, cathedral stained glass windows and other churchly appointments. In this chapel, the Bishop, when home, will conduct a half-hour service each day at a fixed time.

In consideration of the fact that a chapel has thus been established in the home, the City Council, at their meeting on Monday night, exonerated the bishop's residence from taxation.

The "County Fairs" are in full swing.

Entertained at Blue Spring Farm

Miss Sara E. DeLong entertained a number of friends at a clam bake last evening at Blue Springs Farm. Miss DeLong's guests were: Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Darlington, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson, of Philadelphia, Mrs. Mary Watkins and William Watkins.

Women's Auxiliary.

The regular meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. will be held in Association Parlor this evening at 7:30 o'clock. It is desired that every member shall be present as officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

Death of Mrs. Susan Lotz.

Mrs. Susan Lotz, widow of the late Nicholas Lotz, died yesterday at noon at her home on Grand street.

Mrs. Lotz has been ailing for a number of years, but was confined to her bed only for two weeks before her death. She was born in Columbia county December 4th, 1815, and moved to Danville in girlhood. She possessed a large number of friends, and was well and favorably known throughout the town. She was for many years an active member of Trinity Lutheran church.

The deceased is survived by five children, Mrs. Mahala Forney, of Plymouth, Elizabeth, (Mrs. Frank Shollhauser), Kathryn, Harry and Paul, of this city.

The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at 9 o'clock from Trinity Lutheran church. Inquest in Lutheran cemetery.

Death of Mrs. W. S. Reed.

Mrs. W. S. Reed, of First street, Bloomsburg, formerly Miss Ella Wilson, of this city, died yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. For a long time past she had been in poor health, but had been confined to her bed for only two days. Her age was 62 years. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson, of this city, and for a number of years was a teacher in the public schools of this place.

About eighteen years ago she was married to Mr. Reed and they have resided in Bloomsburg for the past eight years.

She is survived by her husband, three sisters, Mrs. E. A. Coulter, of this city, Mrs. Laura Pitner, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Elizabeth Heckman, of Germantown.

Funeral will be private and will take place Friday at 1:30 p. m. A trolley car will follow the 2:30 car and will convey relatives and intimate friends to the Odd Fellows' cemetery, where interment will be made.

Large Bequest to Elks.

Probably the largest bequest to a fraternal organization in this country was made to Philadelphia Lodge No. 2, B. P. O. Elks, by Herman Siebeling, of the old established law stationery firm, whose will, which was read Saturday, leaves \$50,000 to form the nucleus of a permanent Elks' charity fund. In addition to this large legacy Mr. Siebeling's will bequeaths \$1000 to the Elks' National Home at Bedford City, Va. He subscribed for \$10,000 worth of bonds of the new Elks' headquarters at Philadelphia.

Children's Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mader entertained a number of little friends at their home on East Market street, Saturday afternoon, in honor of their son, Ralph. Those present were: Lottie and Elsie Deitz, May and Hattie Hoffman, Mildred Albeck, Beatrice and Carrie Blue, Mary Kerns, Cordelia Seidler, Frances Cashner, Florence Mader, Mary Orndorf, Masters William Sainsbury, Francis Kerns, Martin Pice, George Swayze, Henry Sechler, Lossen and Leah Mader, Mrs. Thomas Kerns, Mrs. George Blue, Mrs. Ed. Albeck and James and Alice Kerns of Philadelphia.

Left For Scranton.

Dr. P. C. Newbaker, and daughter Miss Bertha, and Dr. E. A. Urmy and wife left on the 2:11 D. & W. train yesterday afternoon for Scranton to attend the meeting of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society. Dr. Newbaker is a member of the Executive Council of the State Medical organization.

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