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RECENT DEATH OF SRMUEL H. MORRALL

Samuel Hertell Morrall, a widely known resident of Riverside, departed this life at 11 o'clock Sunday night after a protracted siege of illness. He was 64 years of age. He was a native of Staffordshire, Eng., but came to this country with his parents when seven years of age. His father, Richard Morrall, who still survives at the age of 87, was one of the pioneer iron workers in Danville. The deceased himself was an experienced iron worker, and followed both puddling and heating. He worked at the old Rough and Ready rolling mill and was one of the organizers of the cooperative rolling mill.

He was a veteran of the civil war and enlisted first on October 21, 1862, in 128th regiment, Pennsylvania militia. He served nine months under Captain Winner. Afterwards he enlisted as a gunner's mate on the Princeton, a United States war vessel. He was honorably discharged June 12, 1865.

The deceased was a member of Danville lodge No. 224, F. & A. M., and will be buried with Masonic ceremonies. He was also a member of Montour lodge No. 109, L. O. O. F.

The deceased is survived by his wife, two sons, Charles R., of Northumberland, Wesley, of Riverside, and five daughters, (Dennie) Mrs. W. T. Suter (Anna) Mrs. H. L. DeWitt, Misses Mattie and Margaret of Philadelphia, and Miss Eliza, who resides at home. He also survived by three brothers and one sister: Rev. William Morrall, of Bethel, Conn.; Richard, of Berwick, and John and Mrs. E. S. Forwald, of Danville.

Samuel H. Morrall, whose death occurred Sunday night, was consigned to the grave in Mt. Vernon cemetery Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance.

The services were conducted by Rev. Edward Haughton. The pall bearers, chosen from Danville lodge No. 224, F. & A. M., to which the deceased belonged, were as follows: Hugh Percel, Samuel Mills, W. H. Ammerman, George B. Kase, D. L. Bloom and Joseph Longenberger. The masonic burial rites were observed at the grave.

Death of Patrick Brennan.

In the death of Patrick Francis Brennan, which occurred at Exchange Monday morning, Montour county has lost one of her most prominent and reputable citizens.

Mr. Brennan was taken ill a week ago Monday. His illness rapidly developed into a critical case of pneumonia. Friday evening the patient suffered a decided change for the worse and from that time on grew rapidly weaker until the end which came at 3:50 o'clock Monday morning.

The deceased was a life long resident of Exchange, having been born on the Brennan homestead on December 1st, 1857. He has always been prominently identified with the substantial progress of the northern part of the county. As a staunch Democrat he has been honored by his party on a number of occasions with positions of trust. For the past 15 years he served Anthony township as a member and treasurer of the school board.

Eighteen years ago Mr. Brennan was one of the coteries of business men who organized the Farmers' National bank of Watsonstown, and he served as a member of the board of directors of that institution up to his death. He was also a director of the new Farmers' National bank of Exchange.

Mr. Brennan is survived by his wife, two brothers and a sister also survive: William, James L., and Mrs. Annie Dennen, all of Exchange.

Hyde-Dineen.

Miss Stella Hyde, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Hyde, and Jeremiah Dineen were married in St. Michael's church at nine o'clock Tuesday morning, Sept. 4. Rev. J. G. Daley performing the ceremony.

They were attended by Miss Sadie Cline, of Springfield, cousin of the bride and Dennis Dineen, of Hartford, brother of the groom. The bride was dressed in white and carried a shower bouquet of white carnations, the bridesmaid also wore white.

After the reception the wedding party went to Springfield where a reception was held in the home of the bride's cousin.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dineen, of Danville, Pa.—East Long Meadow Daily.

Remodeling Gerstner Building.

The Gerstner building is being remodeled to conform with the change made in the grade when Mill street was paved. The remodeling takes in the two lower floors of the building. The floor on the first story will be raised some ten inches to bring it up to a level with the pavement. The floor on the second story will be raised correspondingly.

Daniel Marks has removed his restaurant in the rear of the building to make room for the improvement. Judging by the rapid progress made yesterday it will be only a few days before the work is completed.

The State Health Department is proceeding with vigor in requiring the improvement of sewer systems throughout the State. Over 150 permits for new systems have been issued so far and abuses too numerous to mention have been corrected.

SCHOOL BOARD'S BUSY SESSION

The school board Monday held its first regular meeting since the beginning of the school term. There were a lot of troublesome details to be attended to relating to the opening of the schools and the session was a lengthy one.

First of all the members found themselves confronted with a long list representing each of the schools of the borough that comprised a great assortment of articles needed in the daily conduct of the schools. Among the many things requested were soap, basins, towels, table covers, umbrellas, stoves, sponges, window curtains, brooms, etc.

The long list was quite a revelation to the new members, as the articles specified, collectively seemed sufficient to stock a small store. It was the sense of the board that some of the articles ought to be eliminated, and on motion the requisition was referred to the supply committee, the members to act in the premises according to their judgment.

Borough Superintendent Gordy called the attention of the board to the fact that there are 155 pupils enrolled in the high school which is about the seating capacity. Even now in order to accommodate the pupils it is necessary to adopt the recitation system of seating, by which at all times the seats of the recitation rooms are occupied. He said the time has come when we should adopt some regulation that will prevent overcrowding next year.

On motion of Mr. Parsel it was ordered that henceforth pupils from our grammar schools on graduating to the high school be given preference over non-resident pupils.

On motion it was ordered that the physicians of town be notified to observe the law literally by not granting a certificate until vaccination is known to be a success; also that the school board will refuse to accept any but the regular form of certificate approved by the State board of health.

On motion of Mr. Fischer the teachers were requested to observe the law relating to vaccination very strictly.

On motion of Mr. Trumbower it was ordered that Railroad street instead of Cedar street be selected as a dividing line between the first and second wards.

On motion of Dr. Harpel Miss Laura Mann was elected pupil teacher of the Danville schools.

On motion of Mr. Orth it was ordered that a car load of limestone spalls be purchased of the Silver Springs quarry company at Almedia for the purpose of repairing the first ward school grounds, which were reported as in very bad condition, causing much mud and dirt in times of rain. An experiment with the material will be made at the first ward school building and if it is found to be a success there it will be applied to the school grounds in the other wards, which are in very nearly as bad a condition as the first ward grounds. The material can be purchased at 60 cents per ton, which with freight and hauling will run the total cost up to about \$1.25 per ton.

On motion of Mr. Fisher the building and repair committee was ordered to procure an additional table for the laboratory of the high school.

On motion of Mr. Orth the committee on building and repairs was instructed to have the roof of the fourth ward school building repaired.

The following directors were present at the meeting: Burns, Orth, Harpel, Swartz, Parsel, Fish, Fischer, Lutz and Trumbower.

The following bills were approved for payment:

Ezra S. Haas	.....	\$ 8.00
Halden Pat & Book Cover	.....	1.00
Thompson Brown & Co	.....	31.00
Chas. Scribner's Sons	.....	15.10
D. Appleton & Co	.....	13.20
Standard Gas Co	.....	.80
U. S. Express Co	.....	1.00
U. L. Gordy	.....	8.25
A. C. Root	.....	1.60
H. G. Salmon	.....	3.90
A. E. Adams	.....	1.25
Adams Express Co	.....	74.50
O. M. Leiniger	.....	30.66
I. Pitman & Sons	.....	337.34
American Book Co	.....	7.78
E. K. Fensyl	.....	12.50

On motion a bill from R. Q. Miller was referred back with instructions that it be dated and itemized.

Will Take Seven to Penitentiary.

The over crowded condition of the Columbia county jail will be somewhat relieved today when Sheriff Black will take the seven prisoners, sentenced at this term of court, to the eastern penitentiary. Four assistants were granted by court and they will accompany the sheriff with the prisoners to Philadelphia. The assistants are U. C. O'Blosser and William McBride, of Bloomsburg; Dice Robbins, of Scott township, and Mr. Eyerly, of Center township.

The prisoners are as follows: John Middleton, Sr., and John Middleton, Jr., of Berwick, sentenced to 15 years each; Claid Dawson and Earl Thomas, of Bloom, each sentenced to 3 years; James Sample, of Espy, who will serve two years; Archie Lundy, 3 years and Steve Deitorick 2 years. The latter two are from Berwick. This is the largest number of prisoners that Sheriff Black has ever taken at one time to the penitentiary.

The county fair is coming into its own in many parts of the country.

RECONSTRUCTING NORTH MILL STREET

The reconstruction of North Mill street was first agitated last September or one year ago and now although the near approach of fall is at hand, the actual beginning of the work is still indefinitely in the future. It begins to seem a matter of grave doubt with the vast amount of red tape that yet remains to be complied with, whether or not the street can be reconstructed this fall.

It may be pleasing enough for persons to delude themselves with the fancy that the street can be finished this fall and that during the winter instead of the rough and muddy road bed that has proven an annoyance in the past we will have smooth and clean paving to drive over. At the same time it might be worth while to stop and consider what remains to be done before a beginning can be made at the work.

In the first place it must be borne in mind that the State highway department has a number of propositions on hand similar to ours—that it is crowded with work; also that each of the counties interested have to await its turn. Add to this the fact that we are near the middle of September, which leaves scarcely more than two months during which such work may be pushed up with any advantage.

If all preliminaries were attended to it might be different. The plans and specifications are not completed; work upon them has not yet been started nor have we any assurance that there will not be a further delay before they are begun. Following precedent the specifications will be in the hands of the printer a couple of weeks. So that without making allowance for probable delay it will be October before bids are invited. The advertisements must run for twenty days, and his along with other official formalities to be complied with will have the effect of standing off the actual beginning of work until nearly the last of October or more likely the beginning of November.

The object aimed at is to show that, while the reconstruction of Mill street with State aid seems an assured fact, it would be only by the most fortunate combination of circumstances that the work could be started at a date early enough to insure its completion this fall.

A Sudden Death.

William Sechler, a widely known and honored citizen of Derry township, died suddenly at his home about a mile and a half from Strawberry Ridge between four and five o'clock Tuesday evening.

Mr. Sechler was apparently in his usual good health and the entire neighborhood was stunned by the suddenness of the shock. He had just placed the cows in from the field and placed them in the barn. He entered the house and a moment later returned to the barn. He did some chores and then started toward the house. He had scarcely more than entered the yard, when he was heard to utter a peculiar sound. Those of the family who were nearby glanced in that direction just in time to see him throw up his arms and fall to the ground. They ran to the spot but he was to all appearances already dead.

Dr. Snyder, of Washington, was called and arrived in a very short time. Death was instantaneous. The doctor pronounced the cause of death heart failure.

The deceased was 72 years of age and is survived by his wife; also by one sister, Mrs. Simon Koehler, of East Danville, and two brothers, Rev. Joseph Sechler, of Lena, Ill., and John M. Sechler, of this city, who for a month or so past has been visiting relatives in the West, but who today intended to start on his journey home.

He was expected to arrive in Danville Friday, when it was planned to have his brother, the deceased, meet him and to spend the day with him at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ricketts, Ferry street.

Mr. Sechler's unexpected demise makes four deaths that have occurred in the immediate relationship during a few months' time. Mrs. Hannah Morrison, sister of the deceased, died last spring, following in three weeks the death of Mrs. John M. Sechler, a sister-in-law of the deceased. Rebecca Sechler, another sister-in-law, departed this life in June.

Quiet Wedding.

Miss Winifred Eva Shires, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shires, Sr., of Strawberry Ridge, and Raymond Winterstein, of West Homestead township, were quietly married yesterday at noon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. J. Kohler at the parsonage. Mr. and Mrs. Winterstein left for a wedding trip after the ceremony.

Taken Into Custody.

Jack Small was arrested by Officer Minckmeyer last night and placed in the lock-up to await the arrival of an officer from Lycoming county, where Small is wanted on a charge of purloining a wrench and other tools, the property of J. B. Stewart.

There is no good reason why October 12—the day Columbus discovered America—should not be made a legal holiday in honor of the man but for whom we might all have been Russians, Spaniards or Abyssinians.

Professor Patton Delivers Address.

Professor H. D. Patton, candidate for lieutenant governor on the Prohibition ticket, addressed a rather small though very attentive audience in the court house last night.

The speaker was introduced by Rev. Harry Minsker, pastor of the United Evangelical church. Mr. Minsker's own remarks were not without a point. In touching upon the drink evil and the general attitude of church people toward it, he said he found it difficult to understand why religious people will so bitterly assail other forms of evil and yet not raise their voices against the sale and manufacture of liquor.

Professor Patton is a pleasing and forceful speaker, who impressed upon his hearers the fact that the subject, although an old one, was presented in a new phase.

He reviewed the action of the two great political parties in getting in line for reform during the last year. At present he declared they are united; their platforms are practically identical and there is no issue between the parties. Either Mr. Stewart or Mr. Emery could drop out of the fight and the followers of the two parties collectively could vote for either of the leaders and get precisely the same thing.

At the present, when both candidates are committed to reform, the Prohibitionists are asked to come over and join the "Fusionists." Mr. Patton's discourse had mainly to do with the question why prohibitionists should disregard the call and stick to their standard. The request is, he said: "We have a great man this year, drop your party and come and vote with us." He asked his audience to consider whether the Fusionists would return the compliment and the year following vote with the Prohibitionists. He agreed that the prohibitionists stood for the same things as the Democratic and Republican party, but said they stood for a thousand things besides. He added: "The old parties will coax you to destroy your vote, to scatter your party and then ridicule you when you have done it."

Music was rendered by the Keystone male quartette.

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FALL SHOOT OF DANVILLE GUN CLUB

The fall tournament of the Danville gun club was held at the fair grounds, this city, yesterday. There were marks men present from Milton, Shamokin and other neighboring towns. George C. Stahl of Milton, acted as clerk and cashier. Some exceptionally good scores were piled up.

There were twelve regular money prize events, fifteen in each event. Hon. F. A. Godecharles, of Milton, was high man "Doc," J. Speiser, of this city, was third man. Following is the score in full:

First event—Speiser, 12; Godecharles, 14; Fulton, 9; "Doc," 13; Hoy, 9; Harris, 8; Rishel, 15.

Second event—Speiser, 15; Godecharles, 13; Fulton, 8; "Doc," 12; Hoy, 11; Harris, 6; Rishel, 13.

Third event—Speiser, 12; Godecharles, 13; Fulton, 4; "Doc," 11; Hoy, 10; Harris, 6; Rishel, 11.

Fourth event—Speiser, 10; Godecharles, 12; Fulton, 11; "Doc," 13; Hoy, 12; Harris, 5; Rishel, 12.

Fifth event—Speiser, 12; Godecharles, 14; Fulton, 10; "Doc," 14; Hoy, 11; Harris, 8; Rishel, 10; Dietz, 6; Haney, 9.

Sixth event—Speiser, 12; Godecharles, 11; Fulton, 13; "Doc," 13; Hoy, 12; Harris, 9; Rishel, 12; Dietz, 10; Haney, 9.

Seventh event—Speiser, 14; Godecharles, 13; Fulton, 11; "Doc," 12; Hoy, 11; Harris, 11; Rishel, 6; Dietz, 13; Haney, 12.

Eighth event—Speiser, 11; Godecharles, 10; Fulton, 12; "Doc," 12; Hoy, 11; Harris, 10; Rishel, 12; Dietz, 10; Haney, 10.

Ninth event—Speiser, 10; Godecharles, 13; Fulton, 12; "Doc," 10; Hoy, 12; Harris, 5; Rishel, 11; Haney, 7.

Tenth event—Speiser, 11; Godecharles, 14; Fulton, 11; "Doc," 11; Hoy, 10; Harris, 8; Rishel, 10; Dietz, 9; Haney, 11.

Eleventh event—Speiser, 12; Godecharles, 13; Fulton, 11; "Doc," 12; Hoy, 12; Harris, 8; Rishel, 10; Dietz, 10; Haney, 12; Lawrence, 11.

Twelfth event—Speiser, 13; Godecharles, 11; Fulton, 13; "Doc," 13; Hoy, 10; Harris, 8; Rishel, 11; Dietz, 14; Haney, 9.

Speiser broke 144; missed, 36; Godecharles, broke 151; missed, 29; Fulton, broke 123; missed, 57; Hoy broke 133; missed, 47; Harris broke 92; missed 88; Rishel broke 134; missed 36; Dietz broke, 83; missed 37; Haney broke 73; missed 13; Lawrence broke 11; missed 4. In the Hunter Silver medal shoot, twenty singles and five pairs of double William T. Speiser of this city was the winner.

Two events were shot. Speiser broke 25; missed 5; Godecharles, broke 23; missed 7; Fulton broke 20; missed 10; "Doc" broke 24; missed 6; Rishel broke 20; missed 10; Hoy broke 21; missed 9.

The Hunter medal will be shot for at the Milton Rod and Gun Club Tournament to be held at Milton on September 18th and 19th.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Miss Rachel Owens, of Harrisburg, is the guest of Miss Annie Bedea, East Market street.

Mrs. Ralph Fouk has returned to Philadelphia after a two weeks' visit at her mother, Mrs. S. M. Trumbower, East Market street.

Miss Alice Mayer has returned from a trip to Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

Charles Mellin, of Wilkes-Barre, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Miss Gussie Doster has returned from a visit with friends in Tamaqua and Pottsville.

Mrs. William Hall and daughters, Florence and Laura have returned to Philadelphia after a two weeks' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Payne at Maudsall.

Mrs. G. J. Payne and children, Thomas, Walter and Louise, of Maudsall, have left for a visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Raymond Herrington, after spending his vacation at Eagles Mere, has returned home for a two weeks' stay in this city prior to returning to the University of Pennsylvania.

H. C. Rents and family, of Pittsburgh, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Sarah Hoffman near Maudsall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hayman and son Donald, of Eaglesmere, are spending several days with friends in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hayman are touring in their Rambler car.

Miss Harriet Albeck will leave this morning for Wilkes-Barre where she will attend the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Walter Marshall.

Miss Edith Mitchell left yesterday for a visit with friends in Jackson, Michigan.

Thomas Vansant, of Liberty township, was a visitor in this city yesterday.

D. O. McCormick left last evening for a business trip to Philadelphia.

Misses Sadie Laidaker and Valoria Baker have returned from a pleasant visit with relatives in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Benjamin Cook spent yesterday with friends in Berwick.

Mrs. George Wertman called on friends in Berwick yesterday.

Norman Thomas, of Hazleton, is visiting Arthur Reifsnider, East Mahoning street.

Miss Josephine Beaver, of Philadelphia, arrived yesterday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Beaver, Pine street.

Changes on the Reading.

Within a year the Catawissa and Shamokin divisions of the Reading railway will be equipped with the Hall system of block signals, which is the best method now in use. The Hall signals are now in use on all parts of the Reading railroad system except these two divisions.

Under the new system the movements of trains will be governed by a series of semaphores, operated by electric currents.

The Catawissa and Shamokin divisions are at present operated by what is known as the telegraph block system. The introduction of the Hall system will displace a large number of employes as operators, but it is expected that each one of them will be given a new position in the maintenance of the new system. Those who are retained and instructed in their new duties will receive larger salaries than they are now receiving.

The Catawissa division is 67 miles in length, extending from West Milton to East Mahoning Junction, while the Shamokin division is 104 miles long.

By the Hall system an engineer is aware of the condition of the track three blocks ahead. A broken rail, a misplaced switch or any physical obstruction on the rails sets the danger signal.

Party from Milton.

A back load of Milton people spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Sarah Hoffman, near Washingtonville. A very pleasant day was spent by all. The party was entertained by music on the phonograph, organ and banjos.

Those present were: Daniel Weidenhamer, Wm. Weidenhamer, Mrs. Mary E. Mauser, Mrs. Kate Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hill, Mrs. John Beck and son Charles, Mrs. Chas. Haas, Mrs. Chris Tuel, Misses Belle Carzen, May Mauser and Lizzie Hielman, all of Milton; Miss Lydia Wendel, of Lewisburg; Mrs. H. W. Gibson, Mrs. Amrose Miller, Mrs. Jane Smith and daughter Erma, of Limestoneville; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miller, Mrs. Chas. Gibson, Mrs. Sarah Gibson, Mrs. Kate Wagner, Mrs. Edward Berger, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoffman, Mrs. Sarah Hoffman, Lewis Hoffman, Blanche and George Staum, of near Washingtonville.

Getting Up Steam.

J. W. Buchanan, of Philadelphia, the contractor, who has charge of the new work at the hospital for the insane, arrived at this city yesterday and spent last night at the Montour house. The hospital will be a busy place today.

Fires were placed under one of the boilers yesterday and steam will be gotten up today. Unless something unforeseen occurs the electric light will be turned on at the hospital tonight.

DERAILMENT ATTRACTS CROWDS

The big P. & R. switch engine No. 1195 was derailed in the yard of the Structural Tubing works on Saturday evening and Trainmaster A. R. Anthony with his crew had nearly an all night job in getting the locomotive back upon the rails.

The mishap occurred about 5 o'clock, just above East Mahoning street, as the switcher was about running on the trestling leading to the covered bridge over the canal. "They were making a flying switch, when the big engine jumped the track. Engineer John Ricketts quickly shut off steam and jumped. In falling he struck his shoulder against a bank of slag, but escaped with slight bruises.

The derailed engine could have occurred at a worse point. On one side was a high embankment formed by the old cinder tip, while on the other side was a declivity or drop in the surface several feet deep. Had the engine gone five feet farther it would have been on the trestling when the accident would have been attended with serious consequences. The locomotive and tender were two feet or more off the rails and lay in a sort of twist, so that they were firmly locked together in one mass.

Such was the problem that Trainmaster Anthony found himself confronted with when he arrived on the scene with the wreck outfit about dusk.

Hour after hour passed before any thing like order was gotten out of the tangled mass. Meanwhile the fruitless operation afforded entertainment for a large crowd of townpeople, who came and went. It was impossible to employ the steam derrick to any advantage, which had to work on the trestle and could not swing the engine nor reach the tender at all. Early in the evening the D. L. & W. switcher was brought around from the rear and hitched to the tender with the hope that it might be able to get it back upon the track. The switcher was too light and was unable to move the tender, which was tightly locked in the mass.

The only way in which the wrecking outfit could be employed to any advantage was by "hawsering" the tender back until it could be got beside the rail when the "retractor" was used. Before this could be done, however, the tender had to be "jacked" up so that it could be uncoupled from the engine. Several hours were consumed in the tender alone.

The engine weighed forty-five tons and the best steam derrick could do from its position on the trestling was to raise the heavy mass so that it could be blocked up, in which position after innumerable breakdowns and delays it was successfully "hawsered" back to a point where it could be "retracted". It was after midnight when the job was completed.

A Dangerous Runaway.

A runaway occurred Saturday night that took in a large part of the borough and was attended with several narrow escapes.

The horse, a young animal, attached to a buggy, was being driven by a young man named Johns, who resides in Tully run hollow. The young man, accompanied by a lady, was coming into town and had just reached the crossing near the gas house at the hospital for the insane when they heard a freight train approaching. The horse was known to be afraid of the cars and to insure against accident Mr. Johns jumped out and took the horse by the head.

As the train came up the animal became so badly frightened that the driver could not hold him. While the horse was plunging the lady leaped out of the carriage and the next moment the animal broke loose and dashed down the road toward town.

The runaway horse caused considerable destruction on the rails sets the danger signal.

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