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FRIGHTENED HORSE.

Wrecks a Wagon on Second Street Last Saturday Afternoon.

North Second Street was the scene of an accident last Saturday afternoon, which might have resulted seriously, but which was only disastrous to the wagon of Mr. Henry Everts, a Todd township farmer and wood-dealer. While returning from town with an empty wagon, Mr. Everts' horse took fright at the spray of water from the hose on the lawn of Geo. B. Daniels, Esq., when a buggy was being washed, and the animal became unmanageable to the driver. For a time the spectators had much concern for the safety of Mr. Everts, as the horse plunged wildly along from side to side of the road in his mad efforts to be at liberty. The giving way of the harness and the breaking of the shafts, soon freed the horse from the wagon, and the driver was left safe along the road.

Mr. Everts was wholly unprepared for such a variety of experiences and his nerves were about as badly overwrought as those of the horse. He imagined that some one was responsible for this eccentric behavior on the part of the animal, and took exceptions to the method employed by Mr. Daniels in improving the appearance of his buggy. Mr. Daniels, who was the innocent cause of the accident, appreciated the circumstances, and with admirable self-poise listened to the charge and most generously assumed payment of all expenses incurred, by sending the damaged wagon to the coach shop for all necessary repairs.

Resolutions of Respect.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Ruler of the universe to remove from our midst by death our worthy and esteemed brother, John Huston, and

WHEREAS, The long and intimate relation held with him in the discharge of his duties in the council chamber, makes it eminently befitting that we record our appreciation of him: Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the wisdom and ability which he exercised in the aid of our order by his service, contributions and counsel, will be held in grateful remembrance that the sudden removal of such a life from among us, leaves a vacancy and shadow that will be deeply realized by all the members and friends of this order, and will prove a serious loss to the community and the public; that with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceased, we express our hope that even so great a loss to us all may be overruled for good by him who doeth all things well; that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes of the council, a copy be sent to the county papers for publication, and that a copy of the paper be sent to the bereaved family, and to the council, and that our charter be draped for a period of thirty days.

J. H. BAKER,
W. R. FIELDS,
BALDWIN FRAKER,
Committee.

Married.

Mr. Frank D. Gladfelter, of Altoona, Pa., and Miss Drucilla Laidig, of Laidig, Pa., were united in marriage in the hotel parlors of the Fulton House, McConnellsburg, on Wednesday, April 12, 1905, by Rev. J. Vernon Adams of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Owing to having been misinformed we stated last week that Mr. C. H. Mann had taken charge of the Speer store at Saluvia and would close it out as soon as possible. The statement was all right except the "closing out" part. The building has been rented for a term of years and the store will be run right along.

Road Taxes.

The 34th section of the act of April 15, 1834, provides "That before issuing the duplicate and warrant for the collection of road taxes, it shall be the duty of the supervisors of every township to give notice to all persons rated for such taxes, by advertisement or otherwise, to attend at such times and places as such supervisors may direct, so as to give such persons full opportunity to work out their respective taxes."

In the case of the Pennsylvania Company vs. Kelly (Luzerne County Legal Register, page 49), it was affirmed that "before a warrant can be issued for the collection of road taxes, the taxpayer must not only have had notice, but also full opportunity to work out such taxes."

In the same case it was also affirmed that "though notice be given, if by management, artifice or trick, the taxpayer, who is ready and willing to respond thereto, is not accorded full opportunity thereto, is not accorded full opportunity to work out his taxes, he may appeal to a county equity to restrain the collection of the money."

In Miller vs. Gorman (38 Penn. St., R., 309), it was claimed that "the opportunity to work out the taxes is a condition precedent to the issuing of a warrant for their collection; where they are assigned against a non-resident, notice may be given by advertisement, but the tenants must be permitted to work out the taxes if they offer to do so."

In Childs vs. Brown (township 40 Penna. St. R., 333), it was stated that "supervisors can make no contract the effect of which must be to deprive the taxpayer of the privilege to work out his taxes."

The question has been raised as to the effect of this section upon our present law which authorizes the collection of twenty-five per cent. of road taxes in cash for the purpose of providing a fund from which improved road machinery may be paid for, but the opinion seems to prevail that the latter law takes precedence and that twenty-five per cent. of the road taxes may be collected in cash, but that it must not be inferred from this that all of one person's road tax can be collected in cash and another be allowed to work out his tax; if the matter was carried to the extreme, we think that it would be decided that every taxpayer in the township might be compelled to pay one-fourth of his tax in cash, but that every one would have the right to work out the other three-fourths. We think that practically, the question will hardly arise, and usually a considerable proportion of road taxes are paid in cash by those who do not wish to work them out.—Everett Press.

Applause Rather Than Sleep.

On account of the fact that Rev. William McNally, a pastor of a Harrisburg church permitted persons in his congregation to express their appreciation of the strong points in his sermon by vigorous applause, others were so shocked by the proceeding that they withdrew and placed their membership in other churches. The trouble increased until the congregation was completely disrupted. At the meeting of presbytery in Chambersburg last week, Mr. McNally was dismissed to the presbytery of Philadelphia. In speaking with reference to the applause in his church, Mr. McNally said: "I would rather have loud clapping than sleeping. If protest is needed I think it should be applied to the sleepers." Rev. McNally said that for seven years there has been peace and harmony in the church and until a year ago there were no factional differences. During his eight years' pastorate he had raised \$7000 toward the liquidation of the church debt.

Mr. Carnegie, who not long ago gave Dickinson College, Carlisle, \$50,000, has just added \$14,000 to that sum.

FOR MATHEMATICIANS.

Old Problem Revived for Those Fond of Figures.

A local mathematician says Greencastle Echo-Pilot, has handed in for solution by any of the readers of that paper, the following problem, an old standby which is not so easy as it looks:

"John Rudge was born December 27, 1822; his wife was born January 4, 1829. John had \$40,000 in bonds and provided in his will that after the death of himself and wife, this sum should be divided between his son, Obed, and his daughter Ruth, on the following terms: For every day he lived longer than his wife, Obed should have \$1.50 more than Ruth and for every day that his wife should live longer than himself, Ruth should have \$1.50 more than Obed. John Rudge died December 31, 1897; his wife died on the 6th day of June in the succeeding leap year. Obed and Ruth cannot agree upon the share of their father's \$40,000 due each, each claiming the larger part of it.—What is due to each?"

The problem is not as easy as it looks and this paper invites those interested in mathematics to figure it out and send in their solutions to this paper which will in due time, publish the correct answer.

APRIL BLIZZARD.

Sudden Check to the Delightful Weather of the Past Six Weeks.

"Don't holla till you're out of the woods" might be applied to the weather as well as to many other things. March was an unusually fine month, and April conducted herself most becomingly up to last Saturday. Since that time, she has been on the rampage.

Friday night the mercury took a tumble, and Saturday grew colder; Sunday morning revealed ice on standing water, and during the day, much snow fell, mostly in blizzardous squalls.

The storm seems to have suddenly jumped down off the Rocky mountains last Wednesday and struck out at such a furious gait for the Atlantic ocean as to send shivers down the backs of the inhabitants of all the States in its path—which was a wide one.

The weather bureau thinks that it will pass out onto the Atlantic ocean by to-day or to-morrow, and that we may expect seasonable weather after that time.

There can be no doubt but that the early fruit has suffered, and that spring farm work is greatly retarded.

Snow in April is not at all unusual, according to the records of the Weather Bureau. These show that snow has fallen in fifteen of the last twenty Aprils. The falls range from a trace to 3 inches. On April 5, 1898, 3 inches of snow fell, and 2 inches are recorded for April 16, 1888, the year of the memorable blizzard. An inch and a half of snow fell on April 10-11, 1894.

All the records of the Weather Bureau, kept since its organization, thirty-four years ago, tend to show that April has always been more or less of a freakish month. Since 1871 hardly an April has gone by without at least a slight frost. In that time the average killing frost has been on April 7. The latest killing frost record occurred on April 29, 1882. The coldest April in the last thirty-four years was that of 1889, when the average temperature was 42 degrees. The warmest April was in 1871, the year the bureau was organized, when the average temperature was 57 degrees. The lowest temperature record was 18 degrees, on April 12, 1874, and the highest was 93 degrees, on April 18, 1896.

Judge Bender has just received official notice that he has been drawn to serve as a petit juror in the U. S. District Court at Harrisburg, May 1.

MORE ABOUT FILIPINOS.

Their Language, as Observed by Charles Henry Wissner.

Every tribe in the Islands has its own language, but as we have said before, the majority of the languages are but variations of one old common Malay tongue.

The Spaniards, although they held the Islands for four centuries, were always averse to teaching the natives Spanish. Of course, the educated classes who attended the colleges learned Spanish, but at no time have these classes formed a large proportion of the people of the islands, and these people were only to be found in the larger towns and cities. The ability of a man, living in one of the smaller towns and villages, to talk Spanish, was always regarded with suspicion by the authorities. As long as the Spanish, who at no time were very numerous, could prevent the people from having a common language, they had no fear of a united effort on the part of the various tribes to overthrow their authority. The consequence of this was that when Aguinaldo's rebellion broke out, he found himself compelled to translate his proclamations into more than 20 different languages or dialects.

The Malay language is easy to learn, for it has no gender and nothing that approaches what we term conjugation. When the student takes up the study of any one of the languages, he has first to divest his mind of any ideas or rules that he has gathered from other languages. The most curious thing is the use of the Passive Voice in the place of the active. In a word, a Filipino never says "I killed a man," but "a man was killed by me;" never "I went to town," but "the town was arrived at by me."

Since the advent of the Americans, the natives are rapidly learning English, and as according to an edict of the Civil Commissioner, English will take the place of Spanish in the courts in 1905. Spanish will be an unknown language before this generation passes away. The teachers whom we have sent to the Islands have been an exceedingly able body of young men and women, and they have not only taught the children the usual lessons of the schools, but manners and morality as well.

C. H. WISSNER.

James Hauman.

After a protracted illness, James Hauman died at the home of his son George, near Sipes Mill, last Wednesday, aged about 65 years, and was buried at the Ebenezer church on Friday. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Pittinger.

Mr. Hauman is survived by a widow, two sons and two daughters. His children are all married.

John Shafer.

Mr. John Shafer died at his home in Clay township, Huntingdon county, last Friday night, aged 79 years and 21 days. The funeral was held at Cherry Grove on Sunday, Elder Meyers of the Church of God conducting the services.

Mr. Shafer moved to Clay township from York county in 1876. He was twice married—first to Lydia Clinefelter, who died in May 1894. To this union were born five children—three boys and two girls, two of whom survive, namely, George, the blacksmith at New Grenada, and Jacob, who resides near the old homestead in Clay township and blacksmiths for the R. I. & C. Co. at Woodvale. Mr. Shafer's second wife was Minnie Stevens of Taylor township, to whom was born one child, a daughter, both of whom survive.

Mr. Shafer was a blacksmith all his life, was a consistent member of the Methodist church many years; and at the time of his death, was a member of the Church of God, and an exemplary Christian gentleman.

DAVID SMITH.

One of Whips Cove's Aged Citizens Calls to His Reward.

David Smith died at his home in Whips Cove, Wednesday, April 5, 1905, after an illness of many years.

Mr. Smith had been disabled for nine years, being paralyzed on one side; and for the last seven years had been confined to the house and was moved from place to place by the use of a chair, and during that time he required the assistance of some one all the time. During the last eleven weeks of his life, he was confined to his bed. Mr. Smith was buried Friday, April 7, 1905, at Jerusalem church. Funeral services conducted by Rev. A. W. May.

The deceased was aged about 70 years, he being a son of the late Peter Smith of the Cove, and is survived by the following brothers and sister—Nathan, of Keyser W. Va.; Samuel, of the Cove, and Miss Millie, of Buck Valley. He was preceded to the spirit land by the following brothers: Levi, Jacob, Philip, and Dennis.

Mr. Smith was married to Miss Rachel Hoopengardner, and to this union was born the following children: Martha (dead); Amanda, wife of Andrew Mellott of McConnellsburg; Jennie, wife of John Kuhn near McConnellsburg; Lizzie, wife of Calvin Morgret of the Cove; Katie (dead), and Lemuel, at home.

The people of the Cove, join in sympathy with the bereaved widow and family.

MORE PAY FOR COMMISSIONERS.

Bill Signed by Governor Pennypacker Last Friday Makes Salary \$300.

Among the things that the legislature which has just closed did was to look after interests of the County Commissioners. A bill was passed and last Friday signed by the Governor which will increase the salaries of those officers in most of the counties of this state.

The salaries will be as follows: Counties having a population of 10,000 or less, \$300; 10,000 and less than 30,000, \$500; 30,000 and less than 38,000, \$700; 38,000 and less than 50,000, \$1000; 50,000 and less than 75,000, \$1200; 75,000 and less than 115,000, \$1500; 115,000 and less than 150,000, \$1800.

This will mean an increase of salary to Fulton county commissioners, which will, according to the scale, be \$300 a year.

Prior to the act of 1889 Commissioners were paid \$2 a day; since that time they have been receiving \$3.50 a day, they themselves determining the number of days that they shall put in during the year.

Just how much the present board will receive for their three years' service cannot be given until the close of the term. Their predecessors, Messrs. Kelley, Mallot and Fisher received on an average, \$254.91 a year.

If the population of this county were what it was during the twenty years prior to the year 1900, our commissioners would receive \$500 a year instead of \$300—our population being, according to the last census, just 74 below the 10,000 mark which would give us \$500.

The population of Fulton county was in 1850, 9123; in 1860, 9131; in 1870, 9360; in 1880, 10,149; in 1890, 10,187; in 1900, 9924.

From the foregoing figures it will be observed that Fulton county shows a growth in population of 801 from 1850 to 1900—50 years. It has, however, since 1870 been doing the grand sliding act, and there is no telling just when the last inhabitant of the county will pull up stakes and go "west."

Rev. S. B. Houston is attending a meeting of the committee on Revision of the Psalms, which is in session in New York City.

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In Memoriam.

Death again calls us to pause amid our busy and pressing labors and remember that in life we are in the midst of death. One by one our friends, neighbors, and associates have fallen amongst us and are numbered with the dead, and we have borne them mournfully away to their last resting places.

On Monday, the 10th inst., all that was mortal of John Weaver was laid to rest in the Tonoloway Baptist cemetery followed by a large concourse of sorrowing friends.

The sun of 70 summers had shone down upon him, and he fell by the wayside weary with the march of life.

He was born in Germany, and came from the Fatherland when 9 years old, and settled with his father very near Hancock, Md., where he resided to the date of his death, when by industry he accumulated sufficient for the needs of this life.

He was twice married—his first wife being Nancy Souders, of Timber Ridge or Plum Run, by which union five boys still live to mourn the loss of a kind father—namely, William, Charles, George Jacob and Arthur, all residing near Hancock.

His second wife was Catherine Everts, by which union four children are living—Joseph Weaver, proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, Cumberland, Md.; Abner, of Thompson township; Benjamin and Annie B. at home. Four sisters, Margaret Miller, Quincy, Ill.; Barbara Hixson, Waynesboro, Pa.; Mrs. Ellen Carpenter, Hancock, Md.; and Mrs. J. H. H. Lewis, Franklin Mills, Pa.

One of the chief characteristics of the make up of the subject of this article was unscrupulous honesty in dealing with his fellow men, and strict attention to his own business, in no way meddling with that of others. He had strong convictions of the right as God gave him to see the right.

He has answered the messenger whose summons we must all sooner or later obey. He now lies peacefully in a shady dell in the cemetery in sight of his late home.

The birds will sing their carols in the leafy branches above his grave, and the voice of sacred praise will come forth in sweetest notes from the old church near whose shades they have laid him, there to rest until that great day when the dead shall rise to take their flight to that better and happier world beyond.

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WELLS TANNERY.

John Snow has moved into Mr. James Foote's house.

Several members of the Altoona Rod & Gun club are spending a few days here trout fishing.

Nathan Horton and wife visited the latter's father, Mr. Hixson at Crystal Springs last Saturday and Sunday.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Bivens, that has been very sick, is slowly improving. Hon. S. P. Wishart attended presbytery at Mifflin last week. John Comer of McConnellsburg, attended lodge here Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ella Tod, formerly of Boston, Mass., who has been doing mission work in Allahabad, India, is now on her way home for a year's rest. She managed the Compound that Miss Alice Wishart is in. Since her departure, Miss Wishart has the management. This means more than our people here have any idea of.

J. C. Kirk, who has been spending the past week with Mrs. Kirk in Pittsburg, returned Sunday, and is encouraged since the operation by Dr. Hopkins. Mrs. Kirk is being cared for in the East End Hospital. Her many friends here deeply sympathize with her in her affliction.

Miss Elzetta Marshall of Latrobe, is visiting Rev. S. B. Houston's family.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Snapshots at Their Movements, as They Come and Go.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

Home for a Vacation, Away for an Outing, a Trip for Business or Pleasure. You'll Find it Right Here.

T. M. Sipes and wife, of Andover, spent Friday in town.

John B. Sipes of Laidig, spent a few hours in town last Wednesday.

G. Wesley Mellott of Gem, was an early Monday morning caller at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan P. Peck of Knobsville, spent a few hours in town Monday.

Harry McGahey, of Greencastle, spent last Thursday night in the home of his sister, Mrs. S. M. Cook.

Prothonotary Harris and Bank Cashier Nace drove over to Chambersburg, Sunday, and returned Monday.

Frank M. Diehl and Asa Mellott of Whips Cove, made a trip to the County Seat one day last week.

George W. Mellott and George W. Strait, of Saluvia, were business visitors to the county seat last Wednesday.

Miss Sophie Hohman and Miss Zoe Mason have returned home after a successful term teaching in Bethel township.

Miss Maye Sheets has finished her school in Bedford county and is home again with her parents, John Sheets and wife.

Mr. Milton D. Good, of the Geyser Manufacturing Company Waynesboro, spent several days in this county last week.

Miss Jessie Mason, who taught the Locust Grove school in Whips Cove, successfully during the past winter, is home for the summer.

Mr. S. Logue Wink and Miss Temple Snyder spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of the latter's uncle, Mr. J. P. Peck at Knobsville.

Mrs. Annie Trayer, who had been visiting her parents, Conrad Glazier and wife in Ayr township returned to her home in Salisbury last week.

N. B. Henry with a force of hands began the erection of a fine house for James Henry on the right of the Cove road a few rods north of the Borough line.

Stephen F. Keepers and John Campbell, of Hustontown, spent last Wednesday in McConnellsburg. Mr. Keepers delivered a valuable horse to stockbuyer Brant that day.

William H. Spade, who has been employed at carpenter work in Altoona was called to his home in Whips Cove, recently on the account of the serious illness of his wife. Billy will return as soon as his wife recovers.

Chas. W. Huston, who had been spending a week at his old home at Clear Ridge, left for Wilmington, Del., last Friday. Charlie is a practical machinist, having recently graduated at the Williamson Industrial school.

Mr. F. P. Plessinger, of Brush Creek township, was in town last Friday night. Frank is a former successful teacher, and has taken a course in Civil Engineering and graduated with honor. He is now ready to do all kinds of work in land surveying. See his card in another part of this paper.

Carlisle Presbytery has 52 churches within its bounds, having a membership of 9500 communicants; 55 ministers and 48 ruling elders chosen by church sessions constitute the assembly. The stated clerk is Rev. William A. West, D. D., of Spring Run; the permanent clerk, Rev. J. Agnew Crawford, D. D., of Chambersburg, and the treasurer, Rev. Thomas J. Ferguson, of Silver Spring, all of whom have served many years in their respective offices.