

AMARTYR'S TRIUMPH



From the text, Acts vii, 56-60, 'Behold I see the heavens opened,' etc., Dr. Talmage preaches of Stephen and his glorious death.

Stephen had been preaching a rousing sermon, and the people could not stand it. They resolved to do as men sometimes would like to do in this day if they dared, with some plain preacher of righteousness—kill him.

I want to show you to-day five pictures—Stephen gazing into heaven, Stephen looking at Christ, Stephen stoned, Stephen in his dying prayer and Stephen asleep.

First look at Stephen gazing into heaven. Before you take a leap you want to know where you are going to land.

I pass on now and look at Stephen stoned. The world has always wanted to get rid of good men. Their very life is an assault upon wickedness.

If all men speak well of you, it is either because you are a laggard or a dolt. If a steamer makes rapid progress through the waves, the water will boil and foam all around it.

There is not a man in this house today so isolated in life but there is some one in heaven with whom he once shook hands.

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Just how Christ looked in this world, just how he looks in heaven, we cannot say. A writer in the time of Christ says, describing the Saviour's personal appearance, that he had blue eyes and light complexion and a very graceful structure.

Belshazzar gathered the Babylonish nobles to his table, George I entertained the lords of England at a banquet, Napoleon III, welcomed the czar of Russia and the sultan of Turkey to his feast.

Oh, wonderful invitation! You can take it today and stand at the head of the darkest alley in any city, and say: 'Come! Clothes for your rags, salve for your sores, a throne for your eternal reigning.'

I have seen the sea driven with the hurricane until the tangled foam caught in the rigging, and wave rising above wave seemed as if about to storm the heavens.

When I see a man in some great moral or religious reform battling against grog-shops, exposing wickedness in high places, by active means trying to purify the church and better the world's estate, and I find that some of the newspapers anathematize him and men—even good men—oppose him.

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Pass on now and see Stephen looking upon Christ. My text says he saw the Son of Man at the right hand of God.

probability is that your body will at last find a sepulcher in some of the cemeteries that surround your town or city. There is no doubt but that your obsequies will be decent and respectful, and you will be able to pillow your head under the maple, or the Norway spruce, or the cypress, or the blossoming fir.

I do not care what you do with my body when my soul is gone or whether you believe in cremation or inhumation. I shall sleep just as well in a wrapping of sackcloth as in satin lined with eagle's down.

Pass on now, and I will show you one more picture, and that is Stephen asleep. With a pathos and simplicity peculiar to the Scriptures the text says of Stephen, 'He fell asleep.'

I have seen the sea driven with the hurricane until the tangled foam caught in the rigging, and wave rising above wave seemed as if about to storm the heavens.

I have not the faculty to tell the weather. I can never tell by the setting sun whether there will be a drought or not.

You have seen enough for one morning. No one can successfully examine more than five pictures in a day.

These Publishers. Penjab—Oh, I tell you I am loaming right up alongside of Anthony Hope! There is only one trifling little difference now between his stories and mine.

N. C. Gutelius and wife were visiting friends in Lewisburg over Sunday.....David Buck was visiting his daughter Mrs. A. A. Heutzelman of Lewistown over Sunday.....Sol. Fagley of Shamokin was in town on Saturday.....R. S. Heintzelman left for Paxinos last Monday where he will work during the summer.....Jes. Maurer is making preparations to erect a new house on the lot he recently purchased from Thompson Hillbish.....Geo. Schoch of Selingsgrove was in town on Saturday between trains.....Fields & Yoder loaded a car-load of timber on Saturday.....James Roush and wife were called to Sunbury several times last week on account of the illness of their daughter-in-law, Mrs. John Roush.....Miss Izora Walter is visiting her sister in Monroe township.....Philip Roush and Charles Keck were in Middleburg one day last week.

The wedding of S. J. Pawling, Esq., and Miss Harriet Richter was largely attended. The floral decorations were fine. They left on the 8:34 p. m. train for a trip South.....The concert by the Boston Ladies Orchestra was grand, every person was delighted with the performances. We understand the troupe was highly pleased with their visit to this place.

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The Sheriff Surprised. Sheriff Wagner, of Union county, residing at Lewisburg, was awakened early Thursday morning by a vigorous pounding on his door and an urgent appeal to be let in. He was considerably astounded on coming down to find this latecaller was Elmer Hassenplug who, with another prisoner, escaped from the jail last week. The sheriff had been scouring the country in the effort to recapture the fugitives, and his surprise was great at the voluntary return of Hassenplug. The explanation given was that he was tired of wandering about the country, hiding in sheds and outbuildings, with scarcely anything to eat and the fear of being seen and recognized.

Invalid and Sacramental Wines. Speer's Unfermented Grate Juice is pure and unadulterated. It is made from the finest grown Port grapes, especially for the use of Christian churches, preserved from fresh and pure juice as it is pressed, and guaranteed to retain its grateful flavor and essential qualities unimpaired for any period. Much used for evening parties and invalids who do not use stimulants.

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COURT HOUSE CHIPS.

Beeds Entered for Record.

Mrs. Catherine Gill to Lewis Walter, ten acres in Centre township for \$650.

Charles Zarr and wife to James W. Smith, 1/2 interest in house and lot on Isle of Que for \$50.

Robert M. Smith and wife to Bell Smith and wife to James W. Smith, 1/2 interest in house and lot on Isle of Que for \$40.

John S. Rice and wife to John L. Swineford, tract No. 1 in Union township containing 42 acres and 90 perches, tract No. 2 in Chapman township containing 57 acres, (dower of \$256 on this tract) and tract No. 3 in Union township containing 3 acres and 80 perches for \$600.

F. P. Decker and wife to A. W. Knepp 172 acres and 76 perches in West Beaver township for \$4350.

Henry Ott and wife to John Clopp one-half acre lot in Penn township near the Red Bridge for \$75.

Adam H. Musser and wife to Jacob B. Herman, 50 acres in Franklin township for \$600.

Jacob Hoffer and wife to Wm. J. Sandal, 50 acres in Monroe twp. for \$1,600.

Jesse Foltz and wife to Jacob Hoffer 50 acres in Monroe twp. for \$2,300.

Esther Werline and Henry S. Werline to Edward Taylor, house and lot on Water Street, Selingsgrove for \$750.

Marring Licenses. (S. J. Hawling, Selingsgrove; Harriet Richter, " ; C. H. Mull, Freeburg; Mary Bennage, D. V. X Road)

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In order to complete our files we want the following named issues of the Post:

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Any of our readers having copies of the above issues will confer favor by letting us know. Such copies in good condition will command a fair price.

Isaac F. Walte: of Mazepa in Middleburg on Saturday made a call at this office.

A full line of tinware can be found at Schoch and Stahlnecker stand. All kinds of repairing promptly attended to.

Moving Notice.

All persons having business with this office please remember that we have moved our quarters from David Ocker's building to the new building on the Bank lot near the county jail where we shall be pleased to greet our many friends and patrons.

Important to Subscribers.

Those of our subscribers who expect to change their postoffice address this spring, should notify us of the same. Be especially careful to give your old address and the new one. Also send in your name exactly as you find it printed on the label of your paper. By observing these points you will be sure to get your paper regularly and avoid confusion.

Sale Register.

Thursday, Mar. 17th, one-half mile north west of Richfield, Thos. Shellenberger will sell 2 horses, one cow and farming implements. Monday, Mar. 21st, James Erdly will sell 1 mile west of Middleburg, live stock and farming implements. Tuesday, Mar. 22, two and one-half miles south of New Berlin, Isaac Blyker will sell horses, 3 cows and farming implements. Tuesday, March, 22, on the road leading from McKees to Melserville, Mrs. Bessie Bohner, will sell household goods. Friday, Mar. 25, two and one-half miles East of Middleburg, Mrs. Mary E. Musser will sell one horse, two cows and farming implements and household goods.

MIDDLEBURGH MARKET.

Corrected weekly by our merchants. Butter..... Eggs..... Onions..... Lard..... Tallow..... Chickens per lb..... Turkeys..... Hides..... Shoulder..... Ham..... Wheat..... Eye..... Potatoes..... Old Corn..... Oats..... Bran per 100 lbs..... Middings..... Chop..... Flour per bl.....