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e Middleburg base ball team Sat y defeated the Sunbury team at latter place by a score of 9 to 7.

LUCID LOCAL LACONICS

There is some talk of a water plant he joint towns of Adamsburg and avertown. The town of New Berlin splying for a charter for a water Why not Middleburg?

s your letter head or envelope look ough there had been apple butter ared over it? If so, it is a sign that ought to change printers. Try Post and the apple butter will not here. Call or write for samples.

he Post this week begins the pubtion of the tombstone inscriptions Middlecreek township. Globe Mills ords. If you do not, some day you wish for them.

at for \$1.00.

ARM FOR SALE, -119 acres -- 100 clear acres covered with good timber, has oung peach orchard, all kinds of t, good buildings, spring of running ter, 4 miles north of Middleburg.

MICHAEL BLOUCH, Middleburg, Pa.

The James H. Thorne Theater Co., iving some good theater performance rear of the Eagle hotel. Monday ght they played Rip Van Winkle, esday night, "Ten nights in a bar ey will play East Lynne.

Go to A. E. Soles for a smooth easy ave or up-to-date hair cut and head ansed with a refreshing shampoo or indruff removed with his tonic. A an towel to each patron. Parlor in nk building, one door east of Poste. Satisfaction guaranteed. tf.

The Sunbury and Lewistown branch the P. R. R. Co. have an engineerorps running a line on the old Seasgrove and West Branch road bed, ith a view of running to Kantz and nnecting their road at a point near reamer, thus doing away with the tavy grades between Selinsgrove and

Get your your job work done at the est printing office, the place that rus out a neat artistic job that always ings more orders. We get orders om Philadelphia and other large ties. If we can please customers ere, we can please you. Samples and | Port Treverton Correspondent. tices by lightning if you wish them at fast.

The second quarterly conference of enterville charge of the United Evan. urch will meet at Zion church July that 2 P. M. Preaching and comunion at Zion at 8 P. M. by the Preding Elder, Rev. S. P. Remer. M. at Grace 2:30 P. M. and at Cenville at 8:00 P. M. Communion at ch of the above places. All are invit-Rev. Remer will fill all the apniments.

### S. AURAND, Pastor.

SHERIFF'S GREAT SACRIFICE SALE on the dollar and we will sell it at mel's Wharf. frown prices, as the stock must be regardless of first cost. Don't decome at once and get the first bar- meyer while yet in her teens.

\$5.00 suits at		\$2.50
\$7.50	**	\$4.00
\$10.00	44	\$5.50
\$12.00	41	\$7.00
\$15.00	**	\$8,50

e cannot mention many prices as the ace is small. Don't forget to come to or bargains.

The assignees of H. Katz, tf. ext to court house, Middleburg, Pa. DIED,-June 30, in Franklin townalp, Emanuel Duck, aged 86 years. July 2, in Jackson twp, an infant

aild of Harvey Bilger and wife. July 9, at Paxtonville, David Harne in apoplexy, aged 63 years. Inter-

ent Friday. July 13, in Penn twp., John Stetlerr red 76 years, 3 months and 8 days.

the sheriff is having a busy time.

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### BRIDGE LETTING.

The commissioners received bids Monday for the construction of the nason work and the erection of an iron bridge in Washington twp. For, the iron work the bids, were: Nelson and Buchannan \$1575; Penn Bridge Co. \$1367; Lane Bridge Works, \$1299; and York Bridge Co. \$1250. For the mason work as follows: A. A. Bingaman \$824; L. A. Musser \$774; D. A. Portzline \$468; Isaac Row \$398; J. S. Derr \$397,63; and Jonathan Reichenbach \$372. The contracts were awarded to the lowest bidders.

Reduced Rates to Meeting of Baptist Young People's Union of America, Chicago, via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On account of the International Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, to be held in Chi- House spent Saturday at Sunbury. cago, July 25 to 28, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion etery is on the first list. Subscribe tickets from all stations on its lines to the Posr and secure these valuable Chicago at rate of a single fare for the round trip. These tickets will be sold and good going on July 23, 24, and 25, G. Buck, Middleburgh, Pa., has and will be good to return until July Brown Herb Tablets for sale, which | 30, inclusive. Tickets remaining on good remedy for many ailments, deposit after July 30 will be good re-Il on or write to him for a sample of turning, leaving Chicago until and inremedy. Seven months' treat-cluding August 24, on payment of fee 6-26-41. of 50 cents to Joint Agent.

### Death of Israel F. Charles.

Israel F. Charles was born in Perry township, Union county, Pa., June 8, 1821, and died at Port Treverton, July 12, 1901, aged 80 years, 1 month and 4

He was the son of Thomas Fitz Charles, who moved to the county from Montgomery county, Pa., about 1812. His mother's maiden name was Keister, also pronounced Kuster. His m" and this (Wednesday) evening grandfather, of sturdy Scotch-Irish decent, lived within a few miles of Valley Force, and was a baker in Washington's camp during the memorable winter of 1778-9. The late deceased, with two sons Henry and Frank, served their county faithfully during the Great Rebellion, the latter dying shortly after the war from the effects starvation at Libby while a prisoner of war. The father was a member of Co. A, 208th Regiment, P. V., and was enaged in the battles of Fort Steadman Petersburg, on several raids, and followed Lee until his surrender. He was married to Henrietta, daughter of Frederick and Catharine Miller. This ed, in course, by Franklin & Marshall union was blessed with 12 children, 43 College, grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. A sister, a brother, 8 children. 27 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren survive him.

### MRS. HENRY AUCKER.

Anna Aucker, daughter of Jonathan and Kathyrn Shotzberger, was born in Chapman, (now Union township), Snyder county, Pa., May 23, 1831, and died at Port Treverton, Pa., July 8, 1901, aged 70 years, I month and 16 da.

She was a member of a family of eleven chileren, seven daughters and reaching at Salem July 21st at 10:00 four sons: Lydia, married to Jacob Strawser; Kathryn, married to Jacob Heim of Union township, Snyder Co., Pa.; Polly, married to John Stahl of Union township; Susan, married to made a call at this office. Mr. Landis ried to Isaiah Haines of Mich.; Sarah, married to Joseph Steffen of Pallas, Pa.: George, married to Mary Riegle, othing and gents' furnishing goods residing at Freeburg; Elias, married to an Thursday July 11th, and will Amelia Naugle, residing at Freeburg; linue till the whole stock is disposed John, married to Sarah Holtzapple, We have bought H. Katz's large residing at Pallas, Pa.; Jacob, married k of clothing at the sheriff's sale at to Barbara Gaugler, residing at Hum-

> Mrs. Aucker was confirmed in the Lutheran Faith by Rev. C. G. Erlen-

She was married to Henry Aucker, Nov. 16, 1856, who preceded her to the

Searle of Port Treverton officiated. The tract is 50 acres now and the Text-Phil. 1-23, "Having a desire to old part of the building was deccdepart and to be with Christ which is rated by the patriotic young men of far better."

and another trying to commit suicide, this record, we shall be pleased to hear F. Witmer of Kantz to Kate L. Bailey from them.

# PERTINENT PERSONALS

The county normal school is fairly well attended.

John Fields of Kreamer transacted business in town Tuesday.

Simon Kratzer of Globe Mills was in town Monday evening.

Chas. Bowersox of Globe Mills was a county seat visitor Tuesday.

Miss Emma Clark of Globe Mills did some shopping in town Tuesday.

Alter Ulsh of Millersburg is vititing his grandparents in Franklin.

Carbon Seebold of the Washington

Miss McCloskey of Lock Haven is visiting District Attorney Potter and

Geo. Hall, the merchant of Meiserville, was at this place Friday of last Mrs. F. E. Bower of Lewisburg is

cisiting Mrs. Catharine Bower in I. H. Updegrove of McKees | Falls

is the new mail carrier from that plac to our town. Ex-Sheriff Alfred Specht of Beaver-

morning. Frank S. Glass, Esq., and Mr. Stroub of Freeburg were at the county seat

H. Burns Smith of New Kensington s spending a few days in this place on

Sylvester Bowen and family of Vintondale, who had been visiting here, returned home.

William Dunkelberger and lady of Sunbury spent Sunday with his parents in Franklin.

M. C. Duryea of Williamsport was at the county seat last Thursday. He is traveling for "Uncle Sam."

Mrs. J. A. Lumbard of Selinsgrove port, Pa. pent a few days last week with her laughter, Mrs. M. I. Potter.

H. W. Stewart, wife and daughter of Sheriff Row during the past week.

County Solicitor Gilbert now sports "A. M." to his name, a degree conferr-

C. C. Lark, Fsq., wife and Mrs. E. C. Hamilton of Shamokin and Mrs. Jere App of Selinsgrove were Sunday callers at the jail.

H. W. Kuhns of Pennsercek was at the county seat Monday morning. He is now employed on a saw mill near

Cowan, Union Co., Pa. L. N. Meyers, wife and daughter of Akron, Ohio, who had been visiting relatives in this place, left for Juniata

county, Monday morning. Misses Cora Jarrett, Gertrude Good, Annie Winey, Frances Winey, and

Jennie Rhoads are boarding at L. H. Bowersox's during the term of normal, T. G. Landis of Kreamer was at the county seat last Tuesday morning and

he reports that the dry weather has been very much against the berry crops.

McWilliams, who is in jail here on four serious charges, was found in his cell last Thursday morning hung by the neck from the window bars. He was cut down and there were ample signs of life. He used a part of the bed sheet with which to hang himself. It seems he did not hang very hard and it looks very much as though he had no intention of making a sure job

of it. Charles Sprenkle of Kantz was at spirit world six years ago. This union the county seat last Friday to pay for the rannual picnic. was blessed with three children, Em- the Post. He is a Democrat of the anuel, Jonathan and Adam. The first true blue stripe, but the Post is good two preceded her 37 years ago, and the enough for him, he says. He reports latter with whom she resided, his wife that he has standing at the present and three children, Mrs. T. H. Bogar, time, probably the oldest building in sheriff's great sacrifice sale to get Miss Olive and Master Archie Aucker this section of the state. It is a barn remain to mourn her loss. The funer-erected in 1784 by Jacob Kieffer. The al ceremonies took place at Keiser's land was originally laid out in 1716 and church, Verdilla, Thursday forenoon. was a tract containing 216 acres. It Rev. Haas of Selinsgrove and Rev. was bought by James Huff in 1792. Kantz, July 4th of this year, by erecting the American flag from the roof of With one prisoner at the jail getting the building. The building is certainly Hembach, both of Washington twp. crazy because his uncle is to be hung a very old one and if any one can beat

days in Philadelphia last week.

District Attorney Potter and Commissoners' clerk Brosius were at Selinsgrove Tuesday.

Jacod Paskusz of New York City is n Middleburg this week looking after the progress of the tannery.

THE MIDDLEBURG POST AT ATLANTIC CITY.

For the convenience of our readers who may visit Atlantic City this summer, we have arranged to have the latest issues of the Middleburg Post always on file at the Philadelphia Inmirer's Seashore Bureau, on Young's Pier at that popular resort. The Inquirer has, at great expense, fitted up commodious reading and writing rooms on Young's Pier where every attention will be given its guests.

### REDUCED RATES TO THE SEA-SHORE

Annual Low Rate Excursion to Atlantic City, etc., via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged for three low-rate ten-day excursions for the present season from North Bend, Troy, Bellefonte, Williamsport, Mocanaqua, Sunbury, Shenandoan, Dauphin, and principal intermediate stations (including stations on branch roads), to Atlantic City, fown was at the county seat Monday Cape May, Ocean City, Sea Isle City, Avalon, Anglesca, Wildwood, or Holly Beach, on Thursdays, July 25, August 8 and 22, September 5, 1901.

Excursion tickets, good to return by regular trains within ten days, will be sold at very low rates. Tickets to Atlantic City will be sold via the Delware River Bridge Route, the only allrail line, or via Market Street Wharf, Philadelphia.

Stop over can be had at Philadelphia, either going or returning, within limit of sicket.

For information in regard to specific rates and time of trains consult hand bills, or apply to agents, or E. S. Harrar, Division Ticket Agent, Williams-

### Pionics, Festivals, Etc.

SATURDAY, JULY 20th, The Chrisian Endeavor Society will hold a festival at Kreamer.

SATURDAY, JULY 20th, The Christian Endeavor Society of Hassinger's church will hold a festivai at the church in the evening.

SATURDAY, JULY 20th, The Hoover's U. E. S. S. will hold a basket pienie in Hughes' grove near Kantz during the day and a festival in the evening.

THURSDAY, JULY 25th, The 5th annual reunion of the Reformed church in Pennsylvania will be held at Island Park, between Sunbury and Northumberland. Addresses will be delivered by Rev. J. C. Bowman, D. D. and Rev. J. M. Shiek, D. D.

SATURDAY, ACGUST 3rd. The Witmer's United Evangelleal S. S. will held their annual picnic a: Verdilla in W. W. Sholly's grove. Able speakers and a band have been engaged.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3rd, The 16th annual pienic of the Vera Cruz Evan. Luth, S. S. will be held at Lemon's Grove, I mile north of Mahantongo Uriah Kratzer of Ind.; Malinda, mar- is a very successful fruit grower, but stetion, N. C. Ry. Supt. Bowersox of the place and others will make addresses.

> SATURDAY, AUGUST 10th, The Grabb's Sunday School will hold their annual pienie.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th, The 14th annual choir convention will be held near Freeburg. The "Choir Leader" co taining the choruses for the day can be had for rehearsal for 5 cents of Will Moyer, Pres., Freeburg, Pa.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7th, The four Sunday Schools of Troxelville will hold

### COURT HOUSE CHIPS.

Deeds Entered for Record. T. E. Arbogast, executor of John H. Mertz deceased to J. C. W. Bassler for house and lot on Market St. Freeburg, consideration \$540.

Julia Amig to George A. Boyer, hotel and lots in Selinsgrove for \$2000. Marriage Licenses.

Jacob F. Witmer, Kate L. Bailey, Shamokin Dam. MARRIED,-June 18, by Wm. Moyer J. P., Chas. A. Steffen and Sallie R. July 13, by G. M. Shindel. O. C., J. of Shamokin Dam.

## EXPLOSION.

A TERRIBLE AND MOST SHOCKING AC-CIDENT.

Boiler of Steamboat "Montour" Explodes Killing Alen Fetzer aged 14 years and Severely Injuring Arthur Fetzer, his Brother, Harry Reed, Charles and Frank Kellar and William Pulen, all Boys of This Place-Frymire the Pilot was found Sunday-The Complete Story.

Saturday, July 13, 1901, will go down paling and shocking accident ever recorded on the pages of Sunbury's his there was plenty of water in the boiler.

About 9:45 a. m., as the streets were filled with marketers going and coming, and the Saturday morning's business was at its height, a distinct, cannon-like report was heard, and the ground trembled as if visited by an earthquake. People came running from their homes to ascertain the cause, and looked at each other in wonderment, unable to imagine what was wrong, yet having that indescribable feeling that something terrible had occurred.

In a short time the report had circulated that a terrible accident had happened at the river, near the Market street steambout landing, due to the explosion of the boiler of the steam; boat, "Montour," the property of the Sumbury Boat Company.

Arriving upon the scene, a sight more shocking than tongue can tell or pen describe, met the gaze of the onlookers. THE HEARTRENDING SCENE.

Lying on the ground, writhing in great agony, suffering untold tortures. and standing the grass with their life's blood, by five young boys, while about one hundred feet away, lying near the what was once a steamboat told the boat, swful tale of just what had occurred.

Soon hundreds of people flocked to the scene and the horrifying spectacle was of such a nature that it will live forever in their memories and will never be obliterated by time. Bruised, burned and mangled, dripping with blood, with distorted and unrecognizable features, the injured boys, in their ing parties : H. A. Reed, Harry Guyer, terrible pain and distress, called loudly H. E. Davis, W. L. Dewart and Dr. C for their loved ones to come to their assistance and alleviate their awful sufferings.

Women in their auguish and tears, wrong their hands in pity while stout hearted men wept like children. Physicians were summoned and were soon heroically at work in their humane efs that department of the service of the forts to aid and quiet the sufferers.

ONE VICTIM DEADS Due to the fact that their heads and aces were so cut and covered with good, it was difficult to learn exactly

who the injured were. While trying to identify them the only of one of the injured boys was found lying between the bank and the wrecked steamer, and an examination disclosed the fact that death had ended his sufferings. Auxious mothers, whose sons frequent the river, were alarmed lest their boys were among the victims and refused to be quieted until

all the names of the injured were made known. AN AFFECTING SCENE.

As soon as the names of the injured sould be bearned, they were made known to the large crowd and were as

Alen K. Fetzer, aged 14 years, and iis brother, Arthur Fetzer, aged . years, sons of Police Officer J. L. Fets weak. They adjusted until Eriday zer, residing on Front street.

Charles Kellar, 12 years of age, and his brother, Frank, aged 8 years, sons cursions to Pan-American I ypasition. of John Kellar, of River avenue.

Harry Reed, aged 12 years, step-son of Robert W. Adams, residing on Strawberry avenue.

William Pulen, aged 17 years, son of Simeon Pulen, residing on Spruce St. It was also learned that George Frymire, of Shamokin Dam, Steersman on

the ill-fated boat, was also missing.

While trying to identify the injured, Mrs. Fetzer, the mother of the injured M., and on local trains connecting Fetzer boys, appeared on the scene and in piteous appeals asked to be informed | lar trains within seven days, including whether or not her boys were among day of excursion, will be sold at rate of the injured. The scene when she discovered the younger son were severely Harrisburg, \$9.80 from Trenton, \$8.40 injured and later found the other one from Altoona, \$9.00 from Lancaster, dead was one that is beyond all description and many heads were bowed in pitying grief for the stricken mother.

Attorney Jas. G. Crouse spent several KILLED AND INJURED BY BOILER conveyed to the Mary M. Packer hospital, while the dead boy was taken to Weimer's undertaking parlors where an examination showed that his back and legs were broken and his head terribly crushed.

Rates: One Dollar Per Annum, in Advance

STORY OF THE EXPLOSION.

The complete story of the explosion is can be learned from those who were near by at the time is as follows:

Butler Wendt, of Shamokin Dam, engineer of the boat, left for this side of the river preparatory to taking a party up the river on a pleasure trip. When he landed at the wharf on this side the into history chronicling the most ap- steam guage registered sixty-five pounds and he was careful to note that

> After satisfying himself that everything was all right he left for uptown leaving Frymire, the pilot, in charge, and arrived at the Central Hotel when he heard the report of the explosion.

> Roy McDonald, aged 11 years, son of W. H. McDonald, of River avenue, was fishing from the wharf about thirty feet from the boat when the the explesion occurred. He states that he heard the report and saw the flying wood all around and the body of the older Fetzer body go at least fifty feet in the air and land near the edge of the bank. Being young in years he was unable to render any assistance and went in search of help.

William Lawrence and Samuel Welker, who were employed in the construction of a flat at the river's edge at Archistreet, were first to arrive on scene and carried the bodies of the injured boys up on the river bank. All were unconscious with the exception of Pulen and the younger Kellar boy, who had been blown under the boiler of the Clement coal digger near by and was unable to extricate himself. The bodies of the others were found lying water's edge, the shattered remains of near the whatf directly in front of the

CAUSE OF THE ACCIDENT. The "Montour" was recently pur-

chased from the Pennsylvania Canal Company, the purchase price being \$4000. The boat was bought to be used for excursions and a charter was secured under the name of the Sunbury Boat Company composed of the follow-H. Peters: At the time of the purchase Mr. Reed had the boiler thoroughly tested by experts by hydraulic pressure fifty per cent in excess to the working pressure.

The test was thoroughly made and was the same as required and used in Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The boat was used last Sunday and everything worked perfectly satisfactorily.

A NARROW ESCAPE All plans had been made for a pleasure trip up the river and many guests were in town from Harristone, Wilhamsport and other places. The party were beginning to assemble and in twenty minute- time would have one burked outliers ourney. The fact that several trains were late prevented the party from leaving before the time of the acaldent.

Sanday treduing about miss o'crock the body of Figure was elsowered quite a distance out in the stream. It was badly nothaled.

Sandas overling about time o'clocks Chas, Kelho med 12 years, one of the injured, diest of the his pital.

The coroner's jury took destinanty Monday, but the not vomplete their morning at Woldock.

Pennsylvania Railroad's Special Ex-

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run special excursions to buttalo on secount of the Pan-American Pxposition, from Philadelphia and adjoining territory, on July 18, 21, 3), August 6, 15, 21, 27, September 5, 11, 17, and 26. Round-trip tickets, good going only on train leaving Philadelphia at 8.30 A. M., Harrisburg 11.35 A. M., Sunbury 12.48 P. M., Williamsport 1.50 P. M., Lock Haven 2.26 P. therewith, and good to return on regu-\$9.00 from Philadelphia, \$8.40 from \$9.00 from Reading, \$10.00 from Winchester, and proportionate rates from other points. These tickets will not be The ambulance and No. 1 dray wagon soon arrived and after the injured had received medical attention, they were and rates consult local ticket agents. tf