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CONDENSED NEWS.

April showers next.
Dandelion is being gathered.
Our stores are gay with spring goods.
Nobody was sorry to see March march out.
The oyster season will close in four weeks.
Trailing arbutus was brought to town on Saturday.
Grape vines suffered from the severe winter weather.
Mrs. Robert Farley is seriously ill at her home on Cherry street.
Don't forget the Easter supper at Trinity M. E. church to-night.
Holy week services at the churches in this city are being well attended.
The usual holiday hours will be observed at the post office tomorrow.
George Blue has broken ground for a new dwelling house on Morrey street.
Keely Ream has moved into the Kieck dwelling house, opposite the D. L. & W. depot.

John Riffel, of Riverside, has accepted the position of bar tender at the Heddens House.

A new crane is being put up in the marble yard of T. L. Evans' Sons on Ferry street.

The spring arbor days—April 31 and 26—should be observed by the schools of this county.

There will be confirmation services at St. John's Lutheran, Pine Street Lutheran and Shiloh Reformed churches on Good Friday at 7:30 p. m.

Charles Haney has put in brand new barber chairs with a handsome oak case and mirrors. Mr. Haney occupies the store formerly run by W. T. Pesse.

In commemoration of our Lord's agony and death there will be a service at Christ Episcopal church from 12 to 3 p. m. to-morrow. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Persons will be at liberty to enter and leave the church at any time during the service.

Rev. A. B. Bowser, of Danville, will have charge of the election and oratory at Bucknell College for the spring term. The essay work and Academy Latin left vacant on the departure of instructor Fisk, will be arranged in some other way.—Lewisburg News.

The game of ball played Saturday afternoon on the Mill grounds between the Third Ward juveniles and the "Catawissa Depot" nine resulted in a score of ten to nine in favor of the Third Ward nine.

Thomas and William Gething of Valley township have been busy this spring dehorning cattle for farmers residing near Union Cornor, Rushton, Elysburg, Catawissa and Mooresburg.

Professor Richard Metherell has taken possession of the dwelling No. 116 Lower Mulberry street, purchased by him some months ago. He will add a two story frame back building and other improvements. George Irvine is the contractor.

James Ryan May Recover.
Dr. George A. Stock, who accompanied James Ryan to St. Agnes' Hospital, Philadelphia, Saturday, returned home Monday. He states that a very successful operation was performed on his patient Sunday night and that prospects are more favorable for recovery, although consciousness may not be regained for some two or three days. The skull was found fractured and the brain tissue slightly lacerated. The operation performed was a very delicate one. Ryan, whose injury resulted from a fall down stairs, has lain in a comatose state for nine days.

Class Confirmed.
The following class was confirmed at Trinity Lutheran church on Sunday, in addition to which three were taken in by letter: John Hartzell, Mrs. John Hartzell, Jacob Sloop, Harry Jones, Miss Evelyn Linger, Miss Edith Rudy, Miss Lera Baker, Miss Lillian Burke and Miss Bertha Jones.

To The Trade.
We have just arranged with B. K. Shoemaker, of Danville to handle our line of Pure Medicinal Rye and Malt Whiskies. We guarantee their Purity. Rochester Distilling Co.

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"THIS COUNTRY WILL NEVER BE ENTIRELY FREE UNTIL IT SUPPLIES ALL OF ITS OWN DEMANDS WITH ITS OWN PRODUCTIONS."
VOL. 46—NO 14. DANVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1901. ESTABLISHED IN 1855.

DR. R. E. JOHNSTON KILLED BY PATIENT

While Taking His Temperature—Mysterious Weapon Cannot be Found.
The Hospital for the insane at this place last night was the scene of a terrible tragedy. Dr. R. Erskine Johnston, one of the members of the medical staff, was killed by an insane patient, an Italian named Caprio, who had been an inmate of the Hospital for many years. Caprio, who was confined in the tenth ward, although of a treacherous nature, was not considered especially violent or dangerous.

Yesterday about noon he took his bed; he was not especially ill, but had some fever. About 5 o'clock last evening Dr. Johnston entered the patient's room to take his temperature. Caprio warned the physician to keep away from his bed. Dr. Johnston called to his assistant attendant named Roy Rishel, who held one of the patient's hands while the physician took the other to examine his pulse. Caprio, taking both nurse and physician unawares, wrested both hands loose and with his right fist clenched delivered three blows upon the doctor's body, one taking effect on the left side, one on the breast at the base of the heart and another on the left jaw.

Dr. Johnston arose to his feet, but seemed to suffer keenly from the effect of the blows. The attendant asked permission to send for one of the other physicians, but the doctor declined. He stepped into the hall where a moment later he fainted. Dr. Robbins was then called, but found it was too late to be of any service, as Dr. Johnston was already dying. The latter was able to articulate a couple of words and then expired.

Upon examining the body, where each of the blows took effect, the flesh was found punctured as if by a slender needle-like instrument, which the patient might have held in his hand.
The wounds were of uncertain depth and nothing but an autopsy would show whether they pierced any vital organ or death resulted from the shock. The blow upon the jaw, it was explained last evening, might have produced concussion of the brain, itself fatal in its effects. The most serious wound, however, is the one upon the breast, where the puncture in all probability pierced the sternum or breast bone and came in contact with the heart.

Caprio and his room were carefully searched, but no trace of a weapon of any sort could be found. The patient of course had ample time to conceal the fatal instrument if there had been any place to hide it, which there was not. Thus far the one mystery connected with the affair is what the insane man did with the weapon. There is a heat register, or ventilator opening into the wall, which would have proved an effectual means of getting rid of anything of that sort, but it is a foot or more higher than the tallest man can reach. Yet who knows but that Caprio gifted with the ingenuity which goes with insanity may not have found some means of reaching the register.

How Caprio procured the instrument is nearly as great a mystery as what he did with it. There can, of course, be but one conclusion and that is that it was fashioned by his own hands, surreptitiously, at odd moments. He may have got hold of a spoon, which he worked down to a fine point, a piece of coarse steel would have done as well or anything of the sort.
An autopsy was held last evening by the physicians of the Hospital staff assisted by Dr. E. A. Curry of this city. The result was withheld last night but will be made known at the inquest, which will take place at 2 p. m. today.

Dr. Johnston, who had charge of the Infirmary at the Hospital, was an able physician and an accomplished gentleman. He was 34 years of age and had been a member of the staff since 1895. On January 8th last he was married to Miss Augusta Sweisfort of this city, his wife surviving him. He is also survived by a father and mother, both quite aged, who reside at New Wilmington, this state.

Neglect and Non-Support.
Emanuel Keefe Tuesday afternoon was arraigned before Justice Bare charged with neglect and non-support of his family. The arrest was made at the instance of the Poor Directors of Mahoning township.
Keefe it seems was obliged to move and was unable to secure a house. When the first of April arrived his goods were set out on the sidewalk and his family was cared for by the Poor Directors. It was in connection with this episode that the charge of neglect and non-support came in. The case was continued for a few days to give the defendant a chance to make some provision for his family.

A VOLUNTARY ADVANCE

Reading Iron Company Raises Puddling to \$3.25 per Ton.
The employees of the Reading Iron Works received the cheering news Friday that the company had granted an advance of wages. The news was a great surprise to the employees, who although they felt that they were justly entitled to an advance had made no special request for a raise at this time. The notice, which was posted in the works Friday morning, read as follows:
NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES!
MONTOUR ROLLING MILLS DEPT.
There will be an advance in wages to take place April 1st. The puddling basis will be \$3.25 per ton and other wages in proportion.

F. C. SMINK, VICE PRESIDENT.
The wages paid for puddling was \$3.00 per ton. Under the advance, rollers will be able to make at least a dollar more per day than before. Roughers and hookers will be benefited to the extent of 30 to 60 cents. The advance, which is one of 8 1/2 per cent, benefits all classes of employees.

The advance has brightened the business outlook of the town, for when labor receives a full compensation, then business along all lines must prosper. The Reading Iron Works is an important factor in the industrial life of Danville. Shut-downs there seldom occur and labor troubles are few.

When the company felt obliged to reduce wages it took pains to convince its employees that unfavorable market conditions rendered such a course unavoidable in order to run the works without loss. It will be remembered that the company was equally emphatic in its assurances that when better prices in the iron market justified it an advance in wages would be granted. Among the employees the present raise, therefore, coming under the circumstances it does assist to establish a degree of confidence in the company, which may be relied upon to bear good fruit in the future. The wage-earners of Danville as a class are patient and considerate, striving to make the most of their opportunities and to work for the public good. They fully deserve the advance they have just received.

Howe & Samuel have raised the wages of their puddlers from \$3 to \$3.25 per ton. Next week they will start on double turn, which will materially increase the number of men employed.

Confirmation at Christ Church.
With the solemn ceremony of the Protestant Episcopal church, a good sized class was confirmed at Christ church Friday evening in the presence of a large congregation. The Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, the Rt. Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, was in charge of the important service.

The service began at 7:30 and the choir entered promptly at that hour singing as a processional hymn, "Our Blest Redeemer, ere He Breathed." The pastor, the Rev. Mr. Wright, conducted evening prayer and read the lessons. After the singing of a hymn most fitting entitled, "Come, Thou Holy Spirit, Come." Twenty candidates were confirmed by the Bishop. He then addressed the class earnestly reminding them of their work as faithful church members.

From the words of the fourteenth verse of the sixth chapter of St. John, Bishop Talbot preached an eloquent sermon. "Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, 'This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world,'" made a text for a beautiful discussion of the duties of church members. The service closed with the recessional hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

New Deputy Postmaster.
Sam A. McCoy up to Saturday night last Secretary of Council and Receiver of water rents, Monday night entered upon the position of Deputy Postmaster, under T. J. Price, Postmaster, succeeding Charles P. Harder, Esq., who had filled the position since Mr. Price's appointment. It was not generally known that such a change was contemplated and the news, which came as lightning from a clear sky, created something of a surprise and a sensation.

Annex At The Heddens House.
Landlord J. C. Heddens will break ground next week for an annex, 40x18 feet at the Heddens House. The addition will be two stories high and afford space for 10 bed rooms and give the hotel a 60 foot dining room. A glass front and glass side facing the court house along with a bath room and other conveniences will be placed in the hotel. The old portion will be renovated from top to bottom, repainted, repaired and recarpeted. A steam heating system will be installed. Robert Cornelison will have charge of the work.

Commencement on June Sixth.
The high school commencement this year will take place on Thursday, June 6th. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rabbi Adolph Meyer Sunday evening, June 2.
Following are the members of the class of 1901: Gertrude Meyers, Julia Argrave, Julia Arms, Clarence Derr, Joseph Divil, Bessie Klase, Mand Leightow, Margaret Lenhart, Charles Mortimer and Jacob Geise.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Doings of Your Friends and Acquaintances.
Mrs. Edward Leamy and Miss Mary Leamy left yesterday for New York city to attend the funeral of their relative, James Mullen.

Harry S. Penniwell, advance agent for the "Old Arkansaw" company, is booming his attraction in this city for next Tuesday night.

Mrs. Lemuel Wells and son, Thomas, of New York, are visiting relatives and friends in this city.

F. A. Tolver and L. S. Potts, agents for the Vogel & Deming Minstrels are in town.

Attorney C. A. Sidler, of Sunbury, attended court in this city yesterday.

Editor Charles Randall of the "Catawissa News Item" was in this city yesterday.

Miss Mary Abbott, of Catawissa, visited Danville friends yesterday.

Mrs. Susana Mullen and son, Charles, left yesterday for a visit in New York city.

Mrs. Lewis Tittel and Mrs. John Eisenhart visited friends in Catawissa yesterday.

Miss Mary Unger, of South Danville, is visiting relatives in Sunbury.

F. P. Johnson is transacting business in Allentown.

Mrs. Mary Martin, of Shamokin, visited friends in this city yesterday.

Mrs. R. H. Curtis is visiting relatives in Mt. Carmel.

Mrs. Grant Aten and two children left yesterday for Nantcoke, where they take up their residence.

Maurice Miller, of Kantz, Snyder county, was a visitor to Danville yesterday.

Miss Lottie Beck and Miss Ella Jones, of Milton, spent Sunday at the home of D. C. Jones, Sr., East Market street.

Samuel Boyer, of Shamokin transacted business in town yesterday.

Miss Mary Harris returned from a visit in Milton on Saturday.

Miss Helen Marks, of Northumberland, visited friends in Danville Saturday.

Miss Bertha Newbaker is visiting her brother, Edward, at Andenreid.

Mrs. James Foster left Saturday evening for a visit in Scranton.

Dr. Edward Davis, of Berwick, spent Sunday with his parents on Mill street.

Samuel and William Mourer with their nephew, Lee Mourer, left Saturday for Wichita, Kan., where they will start a cattle ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kishton, of Bloomsburg, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Woolley, on West Market street, Sunday.

Miss Leah Krebs, of Somerset, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles P. Hancock, West Market street.

T. T. Wells, of Scranton, is a guest at the home of the Rev. W. I. Steans, East Mahoning street.

Mrs. W. C. Frick and daughter, Miss Bessie, of Philadelphia, are visiting in Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ammerman, of Wilkesbarre, are visiting at the home of Mr. Ammerman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ammerman, Mill street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shutt spent Sunday in Elysburg.

Theodore H. Angle is home from Cheltenham Military Academy, Ogontz, Pa., for the Easter vacation.

Mrs. P. E. Maus is spending this week in Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. H. Jennings and son, Edward are visiting in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Frederick Linderman, of Shamokin, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Martha Thompson, Cherry street.

Walter Osterander, of Bellwood, is visiting his parents in Riverside.

Miss Mary Yorks, a student at Miss Gordon's school, Philadelphia, arrived home Tuesday evening for Easter.

HEROISM OF MISSIONARIES

Fine Address By Hon. H. M. Hinckley Sunday.
Hon. H. M. Hinckley addressed the Y. M. C. A. meeting Sunday afternoon, both ladies and gentlemen being admitted. His theme was "Heroism as shown by Missionaries in China." Mr. Hinckley as a speaker on religious themes as well as on worldly topics is surpassed by few. He is an ardent advocate of foreign missions and his address Sunday was marked with enthusiasm and all the fire and eloquence which characterizes his best efforts.

The world loves a hero, he said, but is a poor judge of heroism, as it is prone to waste its plaudits on the merely successful man, who may for example be the unworthy victor in a prize fight. The last official act of the late Queen Victoria was to bestow a mark of honor on one of her generals, who for months past had been engaged in no better work than striving to crush out the last spark of liberty that existed in the South African republic. In the shouts for the victor the Boer commander in his lonely exile at St. Helena is forgotten, although he is risking all for the freedom of his country is the true hero. The poor fireman dying under the crumbling walls of the burning tenement, which he entered to save human life, is a truer hero than the fireman on dress parade.

The world does not admire heroism in what it does not understand and appreciate. It laughs and scoffs at foreign missions. It is not strange, therefore, that the missionary is not a hero to the world. We must believe in foreign missions or ignore Jesus Christ, whose last command was, "Go preach the gospel to every creature."

He drew a touching picture of the heroism of the missionaries during the Boer troubles in China, of their devotion to the native Christians, of the perils they faced and the faith that sustained them.

The missionary, he held, is a greater hero even than the soldier. The latter, it is true, may leave home and country and enter a foreign land to uphold the honor of his country's flag, but his devotion is not to be compared to that of the missionary, who has gone just as far risking life and all to uphold an invisible flag and fight for an invisible Lord. In spite of all the missionary is misunderstood, abused and misrepresented. Mr. Hinckley concluded with the wish that the church at home might have more of the devotion and heroism shown by the missionary abroad.

Oberdorf—Sandel.
Miss Celeste, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Sandel, and John Oberdorf, a well known young man of Berwick, were married at the bride's home on Bloom street yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Dr. W. A. McAtee performed the ceremony. Miss Lillian Oberdorf, a sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid and Frank Sandel, a brother of the bride, was groomsmen. After the wedding a course dinner was served. Mr. and Mrs. Oberdorf left on the evening D. L. & W. train for a short wedding trip after which they will reside in Berwick. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Oberdorf and daughters, Miss Lillian and Miss Emma, Fred and Elmer Oberdorf, of Berwick; Miss Lottie Ace, of Scranton; Rev. Dr. and Mrs. McAtee, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Myerly, Mr. and Mrs. David Montgomery, Edward Hunt and son, Sandel, Mrs. Mary James, Mrs. Joseph Diehl, Mr. D. L. Harris, Misses Gertrude and Jessie Mapstone, Misses Martha and Agnes Pursell.

A Few of the Changes.
The appointments of the M. E. conference were made public yesterday. Rev. H. C. Harman returns to St. Paul's; Rev. O. G. Heck goes to Duke street, York, and is succeeded at Trinity by Rev. N. E. C. Cleaver; Rev. F. S. Vought goes to Ridge Avenue, York, and is succeeded at St. Peter's by R. J. Allen, late of Silverbrook. Rev. J. E. Ott succeeds Rev. T. M. Phillips at Washington. Rev. F. S. Vought returns to Berwick. Rev. F. S. Vought and Rev. Heck, both of whom go to York, regard their appointments in the light of a promotion.

Miss Ella Linger Passes Away.
Miss Ella Linger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Linger, died at her home on West Mahoning street at 12:30 o'clock Monday morning. Miss Linger was 36 years of age. She had been ill for ten weeks, death being due to acute gastritis and catarrh of the stomach. Besides her parents she is survived by an eleven year old son, Roy, two sisters, Mrs. Harry Stettler of Johnstown, Mrs. Minnie Turner of this city and one brother, Thomas E. Linger of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Easter Services.
At St. Paul's M. E. church on Easter Sunday morning the choir will sing several new anthems. Mrs. H. C. Harman will play a soprano solo and Herbert Wyle will play a violin selection. In the evening there will be special music and Miss Mary Evans will sing a solo.

Sock Social.
The sock social at the First Baptist church this evening promises to be a very interesting event. The following persons will participate in the musical program: Mrs. Searle, Mrs. H. Huber, Mrs. Herrington, Mrs. Sober, Mrs. Longenecker, Miss Maggie Ammerman, Messrs. Herrington, Myerly, Somers, McLain, Charles Lyon, Professor Carey, Will J. Rogers will render a recitation.

Friendly Tussle With Result.
Isaac Forred, Welch Hill, met with an unfortunate accident Saturday. He was indulging in a friendly tussle at the Reading Iron Works, when he received an injury in the side. He did not consider it very serious at first, but his side became more painful yesterday and Dr. Kimerer was called in. An examination revealed the fact that a rib was broken.

A Former Resident Dead.
Word was received in this city yesterday of the death of James Mullen of New York, formerly a resident of this city. Mr. Mullen was about 65 years of age. He left Danville nearly 30 years ago. While a resident here he was employed as roller at the Reading Iron Works and resided on Pine street. He is a brother of Mrs. Edward Leamy, on Northumberland street. The funeral will be held today.

TO SUCCEED SAM A. MCCOY

Harry Patton Elected by Council at a Special Meeting Monday Night.
Harry Patton is the newly elected secretary of the borough and receiver of water rents to succeed Sam A. McCoy, who was so unexpectedly elevated to the position of Deputy Postmaster Saturday last. Council held a special meeting Monday night for the purpose of taking action on Mr. McCoy's resignation and electing an successor.

President Kemmer occupied the chair and Sam A. McCoy acted as secretary. Mr. McCoy at the direction of the president read the resignation which he had tendered. It was as follows:
To the members of the Town Council of the borough of Danville, Gentlemen: I herewith tender my resignation as Secretary of borough and receiver of water rents to take effect Friday, April 5, 1901.
Very respectfully yours,
SAM A. MCCOY.

On motion of Mr. Goldsmith the resignation was accepted.
There were three candidates. George R. Sechler nominated Ralph Diehl, M. D. L. Sechler named Harry Patton, William W. Davis nominated Will G. Kramer.
A vote was taken which resulted as follows:
Diehl—George R. Sechler, Dougherty, Laurer and Brandt.
Patton—Vastine, Fettermen, Kemmer, M. D. L. Sechler, Gibson, Goldsmith and Jones.
Kramer—Davis.
Harry Patton, receiving seven votes, which constituted a majority, was declared elected Secretary of the borough and receiver of water rents. His bond was fixed at \$2,000.

The finance committee consisting of Messrs. Goldsmith, Vastine and Jones on Thursday night will meet to audit the accounts of the retiring Secretary.
Mr. McCoy made a short address thanking council for what it had done for him in the past. Mr. McCoy retires with the best wishes of every member, as he has proven an efficient and conscientious secretary, accommodating and courteous to all who have had dealings with him. Mr. Patton, his successor, is a member of the office force at the Stove Works and is well recommended.

A Pleasant Surprise.
The sixty-ninth birthday of Levi Alberger Monday night was celebrated at his home, Ferry and Spruce streets, in a way that did full honor to the event. The party was gotten up as a surprise and the object was accomplished, too, for a more surprised man than Mr. Alberger it would have been hard to find, as his friends began to drop in—not one by one, but by half dozens and dozens until the house was filled.

A fine supper was served, but not the less interesting feature of the event was the performance of an old time orchestra, whose soothing strains were in evidence during the entire evening. Samuel Motters was first violinist, William Wallace second violinist and Benjamin Spotts organist.

Mr. Alberger received a handsome Morris chair as a present from the guests. These were present: William Davis and wife, Benjamin Spotts and wife, Henry Grove and wife, E. L. Aten and wife, Augustus Meyers and wife, Mrs. Margaret Hoffman, Miss Minnie Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Hill, Mrs. William Farnsworth, Mrs. Edward Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Root, F. S. Y. Thompson, Frank Yeager, M. D. L. Sechler, Joseph L. Shannon, Robert Miller, William Lloyd, John F. Grove and William Aten.

Girl's Painful Injury.
Miss Winifred Rainer, a domestic in the employ of Dr. L. H. Jennings, West Market street, met with an unfortunate accident on Friday afternoon. She was doing some work that necessitated the use of a step ladder and to steady herself while standing upon it she grasped a clothes line hook. In some manner she slipped and the hook caught her hand tearing the flesh from the middle of the right hand to the middle of the little finger. It was necessary to insert nine stitches to close the wound.

Scott—Hardline.
Michael P. Scott and Miss Alice Hartline, both of this city, were married Tuesday evening. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride, Bloom street, at 8 o'clock. Rev. George E. Lambert officiating. Miss Minnie James was bridesmaid; David Morgan acted as best man. The groom is an attaché of Castle Grove and is well and favorably known. The bride is a very estimable young lady, also well known. Mr. and Mrs. Scott will reside on Bloom street.

There was no quarrel at the time of shooting. Mrs. Gulick was engaged in removing the breakfast dishes when she was shot down. The most perplexing feature of the affair is the utter absence of apparent motive.
The murderer's foot steps were traced to the railroad. Hence, it is supposed, he tramped toward Riverside, as he could not have gone down the track without being discovered. Acting upon this theory Chief-of-Police Mincey and the relatives in this city were notified Tuesday morning. The murderer failed to put in an appearance here, or elsewhere, however, and up to a late hour last night he had not been captured. His revolver, Tuesday, he still had with him and it is quite probable that over come with remorse he may have sought relief in suicide.

Chief-of-Police Mettler of Sunbury, with a searching party had not given up the hunt at a late hour yesterday. They had scarcely reached Sunbury Tuesday when a report reached there that the murderer had been captured at South Danville. The story created intense excitement about town until proven untrue. The police of all the neighboring towns have been notified and are on the alert. Meanwhile the aged husband and father so woefully bereaved and stricken has the sympathy of the public wherever the story of the tragedy has been heard.

JOHN GULICK'S TERRIBLE CRIME

Kills His Mother and His Brother—Is Still A Fugitive.
News of a sorrowful tragedy, in which a young man, previously of good character shot and killed his mother and his brother, reached this city Tuesday morning. The scene of the double murder was a farm lying among the hills one mile west of Klinesgrove, Northumberland county, owned and occupied by Samuel Gulick. The victims of the tragedy were Mrs. Amy Gulick, mother of the family, aged 70 years, and Philip Gulick, a son, aged 27 years. The murderer was John Gulick, an elder brother, whose age is 32 years.

The murderer and his two victims are well known in this city. Mrs. John H. Bower, 603 Bloom street, is a daughter of the murdered woman and sister of John and Philip Gulick. Mrs. Myra Mettler who resides with Mrs. Bower is the mother of the woman murdered.

The best account of the tragedy and the circumstances leading up to it can be gathered from the testimony of Samuel Gulick, husband and father of the victims, as presented at the coroner's inquest, which took place shortly before noon.

"After partaking of the morning meal between 6:30 and 7 o'clock," Mr. Gulick said, "I asked John to go along to Sunbury to do some work. He said he would not go, and I went out to the barn where Philip had preceded me. When I returned to the house mother was trying to get John to go along, and told him that he should go to work, or if not he would have to find another place to board."

"I told him the same thing, and he did not reply, but the next instant I heard the crack of a revolver and mother fell to the floor without uttering a word. I said to him, 'John, you have shot your mother.' He then went for me and pointed the gun directly at me. I managed to get by him and going out on the porch held the door shut fearing for my life. He made no effort to come after me but went to the front of the house and left by the front door, and going to the barn yard fired another shot and then walked down the lane. Going to the barn yard I found Philip shot through the heart lying on the ground, dead. I then called for assistance."

H. F. Moore, who resides near the Gulick farm, saw the murderer escape. He said: "I was at the barn getting out the team preparing to do some plowing; suddenly I heard two pistol shots, there being not much time between the first and second shot. Looking towards Gulick's, where it seemed the shooting had taken place, I heard Mr. Gulick call. While crossing the intervening field, I noticed John Gulick walking leisurely down the lane as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened. When I reached where Mr. Gulick was standing he pointed to Philip and said John had shot Phil. The body lay inside the barn yard and I carried it outside the gate. Mr. Gulick then took me to the house and pointing to Mrs. Gulick said John shot mother also."

John Gulick, the murderer, is 32 years of age. While it is difficult to reconcile a crime of such heinousness with a sane mind there is nothing to indicate that the man was mentally irresponsible at the time of the shooting. He suffered with grip during the winter, but apparently had recovered. He frequently accused his parents of doing more for the rest of the children than for him, especially for Philip, the victim of the shooting, who was subject to fits. At times John would act very meanly, leaving home for a day or longer at a time and returning refuse to tell where he had been. He was not anxious to work, although strong and in good health.

On the evening preceding the murder he circulated about the store and telegraph office at Klinesgrove, appearing perfectly rational and collected. Some two weeks ago he was in this city calling upon his sister. During the afternoon of that day he spent two or three hours with Edward Corman at the latter store, Market and Pine streets. Mr. Corman says he was the last man in the world with whom one would associate a foul murder.

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Processional....."A Song of Triumph"
Invocation and Lord's Prayer,
The School.
Chorus....."Rejoice"
Recitation of Apostle's Creed,
The School.

Chorus....."A Song of Easter"
Responsive Scripture Reading.
Solo and chorus....."O, Story Sweet"
Address.....Rev. Ulrich Chorus....."Open the Gates"
Solo and chorus....."Wake the Song"
Chorus....."Let Your Joy Abound"
Exercise....."Waking Up Time"
Chorus....."The Angel at the Tomb"
Easter offering