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CONDENSED NEWS.

Now for pleasant April days. Some good amateur base ball is promised this summer.

The Squeebanna is dropping to the ordinary water mark.

Squeebanna had expected in a few days.

Strawberries continue to sell at high prices.

Vogel and Deming's minstrels at the opera house on Saturday.

Memorial Day will be the next holiday.

The several street sprinklers in town doing good work this week.

The Howe and Polk mill is booming this activity.

Several good base ball nines will be organized in this city soon.

The Easter church music was never in Danville.

The Easter offering at Christ church amounted to nearly \$800.

It won't be long before the arbutus near will take the trail again, and ying the rattlesnake, will gather the al harvest of the pretty blossoms.

Arbitration have been received in this city for a Charity Ball to be given at the Danville Hotel, April 11th.

Mrs. Sarah Miller died at her home in West Milton on Saturday morning.

Miller was the mother of Mrs. John Waite of this city.

Isaac Gross has accepted a position in the Surprise Clothing Co., soon to be a business in this city.

Paul Groff has accepted a position in office of Howe & Polk.

He companies of the Twelfth regiment N. P., will all be provided with canvas blouse before the coming equipment.

There is no foundation for the persistent rumors that the state will send the local Guard of Pennsylvania to Italy this summer.

This kind of weather is not in harmony with spring millinery.

Winters and paper-hangers are busy. The house-cleaning epidemic is now in progress.

The congregation of B'nai Zion synagogue has contributed toward a fund which will be used to defray the expense of macadamizing the road from Episcopal to the Jewish cemetery.

John Morgan Painfully Burned.

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He was working at the rolls when one of the hot pipes running through as often happens fouled another just preceding which had not been removed and darted outward.

Mr. Morgan was unable to get out of the way of the red hot iron and was badly burned upon the arm and breast. He will not be able to work for some days.

Struck by a Rivet.

While engaged at work at the North Branch Works yesterday William Fausnought of No. 17 second street, received an injury which, while it did not disable him, caused him considerable pain.

He was discharging an old boiler and was cutting the rivets when the head of one of them flew off prematurely and taking an upward turn struck him on the right cheek, just below the eye, and ploughed a furrow through the flesh for the distance of several inches.

A Breakdown.

A breakdown at Howe & Polk's Structural Tubing Works necessitated a partial shut down yesterday afternoon.

A dash of water occurred at the large engine which operates the factory portion, causing it to stop short, the big fly wheel under the momentum twisting the shaft so as to break it in two.

An order was at once placed with the Reading Iron Works for a new shaft and the works will be in full operation again in a day or so.

Gulick Becomes Penitent.

John Gulick, murderer of his mother and his brother, has become very penitent and yesterday expressed a desire to see a clergyman. He named two—Rev. O. G. Morton of Sunbury, and Rev. Brooks, the pastor of a country charge—

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VOL. 46--NO 14. DANVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, APRIL 11 1901. ESTABLISHED IN 1855.

T. F. PATTERSON'S RESIGNATION

Superintendent of the Reading Iron Works Since 1895.

Theodore F. Patterson, Superintendent of the Reading Iron Works, has tendered his resignation to take effect on April 30. The news of the resignation, which became generally known yesterday for the first, caused a great deal of surprise and nowhere more than among the employes of the big plant under his superintendence.

Mr. Patterson took charge of the plant in the spring of 1895, when the Montour Iron and Steel Company went out of existence and the works were purchased by the Reading Iron Company. During the six years intervening the works have made better time and have on the whole been operated more successfully than at any time since passing out of the hands of Waterman & Deaver.

Mr. Patterson is a practical iron man and has been identified with the management of iron industries for many years past. He was with the Phoenix Iron Company for twelve years. Immediately before accepting his present position he was Superintendent of the Allison Pipe Works of Philadelphia.

Mr. Patterson said yesterday that he has formed no definite plans for the future. He does not contemplate removing from Danville, at least, not for a while. Who Mr. Patterson's successor will be has not as yet been made known.

He will probably be sent here in a day or so, as he will desire much information on subjects relating to the work that can best be obtained before the present Superintendent retires.

Mr. Patterson says the outlook at the plant is very encouraging. He attributes its prosperity in no small measure to the fact that the Reading Iron Company, the owner, is a heavy consumer of its product. The company's pipe mill at Reading utilizes about 500 tons of skelp iron daily and requires the full capacity of the skelp mill here, the product of which averages one hundred tons daily, along with the product of four other mills, to keep it in operation.

The pipe mill at Reading is a well established industry whose future is secure and as long as the mill here remains a feeder to it, along with its other markets, which never as yet have failed, steady work and fair wages may be looked forward to.

To Organize a Ladies' Auxiliary.

After the regular meeting on Tuesday night of the members of Washington Camp, No. 304, P. O. S. of A., an open meeting was held for the purpose of considering suggestions and of formulating plans for the organization of a Ladies' Auxiliary to the P. O. S. of A. in this city. There was a large attendance and much interest was shown in the movement.

Miss Clara Powley, of Sunbury, District President, was present and at her suggestion the order will be formally organized at a meeting called for the evening of Tuesday, April 23. It is thought that forty five or fifty members will join on the charter.

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WANT LICENSE REFUSED

Two Milk Men Appear Before the Borough Council Friday Night.

The borough council held a regular meeting Friday night, the session occupying just one hour. President Kenner occupied the chair with other members present as follows: Dougherty, Goldsmith, Jones, M. D. L. Sechler, Fetterman, Davis, George Sechler, Vastine and Laurer.

On motion it was ordered that the property owners on West side of Ferry street between canal and East Mahoning street be requested to cobbler the gutter in front of their residences to prevent the water from running in on the premises of Robert Miller, whose gutter is in good repair.

M. D. L. Sechler called attention to the bad condition of Foust street near the river where it is badly cut up owing to the digging and removal of sludge. Mr. Vastine reported a crossing on Railroad street between Market and Ferry streets, as in need of repair; Mr. Fetterman reported Railroad street between Grand street and the river as in need of filling up; the matter in each case was referred to the Committee on Streets and Bridges.

On motion of Mr. Vastine it was ordered that the old boilers at the Water Works undergoing repairs be removed to the annex and placed in position by the side of the new boilers.

On motion of Mr. Fetterman Will G. Shoop was granted a permit to erect a frame dwelling on East Ferry street near James L. Riehl's.

On motion of Mr. Fetterman the parlor belonging to John Eisenhart's residence was ordered repaired, an inside stairway was ordered built for the parlor and other improvements in the City Hall referred to the Building Committee.

F. W. Diehl and W. K. Davis, milkmen, fined under the ordinance for selling milk without license, in view of the recent decision of Judge Little which denied them the right to sell the product of their own dairy without license appeared before council and asked that the amount of license they had paid in—which in Diehl's case was \$25—be refunded, hinting that if refusal were met with they would resort to legal action to recover the money. The matter was referred to the committee on ordinance and police.

C. E. Welliver of 33 Vine street appeared before council to protest against the imperfect drainage which flows on the surface water from the street in on his premises. Referred to the Committee on Streets and Bridges.

The Finance Committee reported that it had audited the accounts of Sam A. McCoy and found them correct. The bond of Harry Patton as Secretary of the borough and receiver of water rents was read and approved.

The following bills were approved for payment:

BOROUGH DEPARTMENT.	
Regular employes	\$82.50
Street work and hauling	46.42
Standard Electric Light Co.	407.40
Standard Gas Co.	467.40
G. Edward Roat	1.50
O. S. Janney & Co.	4.18
Sam A. McCoy	1.25
Adams Express Co.	25.00
E. S. Gearhart, Esq.	1.00
WATER DEPARTMENT.	
Regular employes	\$131.00
Sam A. McCoy	31.00
Repair work	56.55
Hiram Blecher	6.76
Standard Gas Co.	12.90
O. S. Janney & Co.	4.18
Haines, Jones & Cadbury	13.86
Washington Hose Co.	4.00
Mrs. William J. Thomas	1.45
Danville Bessner Co.	5.96
Sam A. McCoy	138.20
Peter J. Keefe	25.00
P. & K. Co.	7.00
Peenna R. Co.	45.00
Joseph Lechner	32.13
Babeock & Wilcox Co.	2940.00
Curry & Yannan	329.00

Murder Victims Buried in One Grave.

J. H. Kase, P. H. Cotner, Calvin Keifer, Harrison C. Kase, Hugh Vastine and son, Spencer, attended the funeral of Mrs. Amy Gulick and her son, Philip, the murder victims, who were buried Friday forenoon.

No more touching or impressive burial ever took place in Northumberland county. The impression somehow got abroad that the funeral would be a private one, which had the effect of keeping many persons away. At the church, however, the attendance was quite large. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. L. R. Armstrong, pastor of the Synodetown Methodist church. The two coffins—the mother's covered with black broad cloth and the son's with silver grey plush—were arranged head to head in the parlor of the farm house.

On the silver plate of one coffin was engraved "Our Mother," on the other, "Our Brother." They were both buried in one grave.

Beautiful Floral Tributes.

Among the many beautiful floral tributes noted at the funeral of Miss Ella Langer, which took place in this city on Thursday afternoon, were a bouquet of Easter lilies from her sisters, a bouquet of carnations and lilies from her girl friends; a bouquet of white carnations from neighbors; a wreath from Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cleek, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; a pillow from the Luther League; a cross from the Trinity Lutheran Sunday school; a bouquet of pink and white carnations from Thomas Gunton, of Bloomsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Langer, parents of the deceased, desire to thank friends and neighbors who so kindly lent assistance during the time of their late bereavement.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Doings of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

Mrs. Aaron Rockefeller and Mrs. John Hughes called on friends in Sunbury yesterday.

Samuel James, of Berwick, was in this city yesterday.

Dr. L. G. Barber transacted business in Sunbury yesterday.

Mrs. James Powers, Mill street, left yesterday for a visit among relatives in Scranton.

Mrs. Henry Snyder returned to her home in Plymouth, yesterday, after visiting relatives in this city.

D. L. Manger, of Williamsport, Traveling Passenger Agent of the P. & R. railroad, transacted business in this city yesterday.

Mrs. A. A. Geisinger returned last evening from a trip to New York.

Mrs. Caroline Parsons returned to Lock Haven last evening after a visit with the family of Sheriff Breckbill.

James Wilson transacted business in Catawissa yesterday.

Mrs. J. J. Kline returned yesterday after a visit among relatives in Allentown.

Mrs. William Myerly returned to Long Branch, N. J., yesterday after a visit at the home of Dr. F. E. Harpel on Ferry street.

A. E. Jacobs returned to Pittsburg yesterday after a short visit at the home of his parents on Mill street.

Mrs. W. C. Frick returned to Philadelphia yesterday.

Thomas Fox, of Scranton, had business in town yesterday.

Mrs. J. D. Gosh left yesterday for a visit among relatives in Dewart and Watstown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Birks and daughter, Edith, left yesterday for a visit with friends in Shamokin.

SMALL BLADE OF A KNIFE

Was Caprio's Murderous Weapon Found Secreted in Settee in Hall.

An inquest was held Thursday afternoon over the remains of Dr. R. Erskine Johnston of the Hospital for the Insane who was killed by patient Wednesday, which brought out the following additional facts:

That death was directly due to the wound upon the breast, which punctured the aorta or main artery; that the weapon with which the blow was struck has been found; that the murderous patient fully realizes what he has done, and that he yesterday remarked that there were two others whom he would yet "do," or kill—Supervisor Swank and W. E. Heller, an attendant.

The inquest was conducted by Justice-of-the-Peace J. P. Bare. The following were selected as jurors: J. C. Patterson, E. C. Voris, John R. Wallize, D. C. Williams, J. C. Mincemeyer and Theodore Hoffman.

Dr. Meredith, Superintendent of the Hospital, was the first witness sworn. He was in another part of the building when the murder was committed and his evidence related chiefly to the insane patient who did the killing.

Caprio, whose Christian name is Joseph, was admitted to the Hospital on June 23, 1888. He is a native of Italy, 36 years of age; he has been in this country 11 years, and is naturalized. He is a married man and the father of six children. His last residence was at Haverly street in this city.

Caprio's condition, Dr. Meredith explained, is stationary and admits of but little hope of recovery. His mania is marked by delusions of persecutions. He is always fault-finding and he frequently has trouble with other patients. The history of his case shows that he was insane when he awoke. He had already been afflicted one year and was under sentence for commitment of crime when adjudged insane and sent to the Hospital.

Dr. Meredith gave it as his opinion that Caprio was insane at the time of the murder.

Roy Kishel, whose home is at White Hall, this county, who is attendant in Caprio's ward and who assisted Dr. Johnston, was sworn.

The physician was sitting on the side of the bed with his left side next to the patient. When he resisted Kishel took his left hand, the patient keeping his right hand concealed under the covers. This hand Dr. Johnston was trying to get hold of, but before he could accomplish it the patient quickly withdrew it and dealt the doctor a stunning blow on the left jaw. The doctor arose, but not until as proven by the wounds on his body he received three other blows from the murderous patient. As to the latter the attendant, who confessed that he was very much excited, was able to give little information.

Indeed, so far as his knowledge went there might have been but one blow struck. He saw nothing in the patient's hand resembling a weapon of any sort.

Kishel struggled with the patient while Dr. Johnston ran into the hall and called Harry Huntington, another attendant. Huntington arrived just as Dr. Johnston fainted. At this juncture the patient was dropped and the two attendants gave their attention to Dr. Johnston. He soon revived and said he did not think he was hurt seriously, but thought the blood was flowing freely from the wound in his face. The second faint followed when the physician was carried to a room seven doors further down the hall where Dr. Robbins was called and death ensued.

Meanwhile, for a period of twenty-five minutes, the patient was alone and had ample opportunity to leave his room and secrete the weapon.

Harry Huntington next testified. His statements coincided with former testimony.

W. E. Heller, the attendant who put Caprio to bed Wednesday, next sworn. The man had fever, he said, his temperature being 106. He requested the attendant not to tell the doctor. The patient disliked to take medicine and in this way, it seems, he acquired a marked hatred of the doctor. Heller had heard him threaten Dr. Johnston a dozen times. It was as late as two weeks ago that he threatened to kill him.

A knife blade at this point was produced, which the witness identified as one he found yesterday morning effectually secreted in a crack of the settee stationed in the hall just outside of Caprio's door. It was about an inch and a half long, the small blade of an ordinary pocket knife. Around the heel or end connecting with the handle a piece of string was wound several yards in length.

Mr. Heller stated that they make it a practice to search the patients, even examining the lining of their clothing, to see that they have nothing about them by which they can inflict injury upon themselves or others. Beyond a few nails and the like nothing has ever been found on the person of Caprio. Mr. Heller stated that he himself had examined his clothing as late as Tuesday last. After the murder he asked Caprio what he had used in his assault on Dr. Johnston. He said that he reached into the doctor's pocket and got hold of his knife with which he stabbed him. The story is absurd, as Dr. Johnston's knife was found in his pocket.

A VISIT TO THE SILK MILL

All Departments Busy and Everything Running Like Clock Work.

A visit to the Silk Mill Tuesday found all departments busy and everything running like clock work. But little has been written concerning this industry of late and it may be news to some of our readers to learn that there are three hundred and forty hands on the pay roll. Tuesday there were some two hundred and eighty at work, scattered about both wings of the mill. Many of these, it is true, are rather diminutive, but looking down over the long line of machinery, where the little figures moved in and out there was not one upon whom the work seemed to weigh heavily or with visible effect.

Indeed, a set of youngsters it would be difficult to find as they paused a moment to exchange words or skipped off playfully about their work. Mr. Hartman says he makes it a practice as far as possible to have every hand about the mill duplicated, so that steady service is not exacted of any one and when the boys and girls want a day off there is no difficulty in filling their places. It is no uncommon thing for as many as eighty or ninety to be off duty in a single day. The product of the mill is now nearly two tons per week, the heaviest attained in the history of the plant.

Easter at the Churches.

Nature did not smile graciously Sunday and with the exception of a few hours' sunshine about noon the festival of Easter was celebrated under clouded sky.

The attendance at the churches was large. The Easter sermons, which are supposed to represent the pastor's best efforts, as a general thing were masterpieces. The Easter services were full of devotion and very elaborate as indicated by the programs printed in these columns last week.

At Pine Street Lutheran church Sunday night a large number of people were turned away unable to secure standing room. The music there was a great attraction. In addition to an orchestra of seven pieces there was a duet by Mrs. Paulies and Mrs. J. H. Johnston; a solo by Miss Unger, and a duet by Ruth Kase and Margaret Byerly. The Extension Day collection reached \$75. The praise service at Mahoning Presbyterian church attracted a large audience. The large auditorium of St. Paul's M. E. church was packed at both morning and evening service.

Death of Lewis Bloch.

Lewis Bloch, one of Danville's well known business men, died at his home, West Mahoning street, Thursday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock. Mr. Bloch has been ill for the past few years and but recently returned from Chicago where he underwent several months' treatment at a hospital. Death was caused by a complication of diseases. Mr. Bloch was the senior partner of Bloch Bros., knee pants manufacturers, and was 42 years of age. He was a member of Mahoning Lodge No. 516 F. and A. M. and a trustee of B'nai Zion synagogue. He is survived by a wife, one son, George, and a daughter, Elsie.

The funeral of the late Lewis Bloch which took place Sunday afternoon was attended by a large number of relatives and friends, many of them from surrounding towns. The services were conducted by Rev. Adolph Maier. The pall bearers were: Ed. V. Seidel, R. L. Marks, Samuel Goldsmith, Will G. Purcell, W. L. Siller and M. H. Schramm.

Among those who attended the funeral from out of town were: Lewis Schloss, of Bloomsburg; Wolf Dreiffuss, of Milton; Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. Kleaser Maier and Jacob Wyle, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Emma Maier and daughter, Ellen, and Samuel Oppenheimer, of Sunbury; Oscar Lesser, Alexander Schwartz, Lewis Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Max Gross, Gerald Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gidding and Ralph Dent, of Bloomsburg, and Max Levy, of Berwick.

Interment took place in the Jewish cemetery.

Funeral of Dr. Johnston.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Dr. R. E. Johnston were held Saturday afternoon at the home of Dr. Jonathan Sweisfort, East Market street. Rev. Erskine Wright officiating. The pall bearers were: Dr. H. A. Adams, Dr. E. A. Curry, J. G. Brown, Ira C. Everhart and W. H. Orth.

Among those from a distance who were in attendance were: Rev. J. C. M. Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Johnston, of New Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sweisfort, of Philadelphia; Mrs. George Dechant and daughter, Miss Sue, of Catawissa; Miss May Boone, of St. Clair, and Dr. Detweiler and Miss Detweiler, of Williamsport.

Death of Charles Henry Titley.

Charles Henry Titley, an old resident, died Friday eve, aged 67 years. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis sustained at noon Friday while seated at the dinner table. He is survived by a wife and the following children: Mrs. William Mook, of Scranton; Joseph, of Welch, W. Va.; Mrs. Clara M. Wilkinson, and John, Rebecca and Harry of this city. Mr. Titley was formerly roller at the Cooperative Rolling Mill.

JOHN GULICK RETURNS HOME

Up to Friday He Was in Hiding in the Vicinity of His Home.

Gulick, the murderer, is in custody, safe behind the bars in Sunbury jail. Weary of being hunted down like a wild beast, on Saturday night amid the falling rain he returned to his father's house, to give himself up and expiate his inhuman crime as the law may dictate.

Since the day of the tragical one or more of the near relatives have occupied the Gulick home with the stricken father. About 7 o'clock Sunday morning a little grandson, named Mettler Surgon, entered the milk house near the dwelling on an errand and was surprised to see a man with his face buried in his hands seated by the stove, in which a fire had been kindled, drying his clothes. The man looked up and the boy recognized him as his uncle, John Gulick. "Don't be afraid," said the murderer, "I will go with you to the house."

The hunted man followed the boy and was led into the presence of his aged father, whose life he had attempted and whose declining years he had robbed of all that makes life dear.

No attempt is made to portray the emotions of father and son. John Gulick extended his hand. His kind old father had still enough of paternal love left to take the proffered hand. Then in language broken by emotion the son expressed his deep regret for the terrible and inexcusable deed he had committed. He described his wanderings from the time the fatal shots were fired and said he had no longer any wish to escape. His intention had not been to give himself up until Monday. But now that his whereabouts were known, he of course would have to go into custody at once. He changed his clothes and was given a warm breakfast, after which he was taken in charge by Milton Conrod, constable of Upper Augusta township, who, accompanied by H. F. Moore and E. K. Campbell, neighbors, escorted the much wanted man to Sunbury, where they arrived between 9 and 10 o'clock.

The news of Gulick's arrest had scarcely reached Sunbury before the prisoner, himself appeared. The excited town which last week sent hundreds of people to the station at the mere rumor that the murderer had been captured and was to be brought in on the train, was taken unawares Sunday and there was little or no demonstration.

Gulick seemed much relieved when safe in jail. He was inclined to talk; even cheerful. Evidently a great burden had been lifted from him. He had scarcely been incarcerated when a relative called upon him, on whose advice he abstained from all allusion to the murder.

The story of his wanderings, however, were already out. After committing the murder he went across the fields to the barn of James Eckman, where he was in hiding most of the time for three days and three nights. From an elevated field on the farm of Foster Oberdorf Friday morning he viewed the funeral cortege, with its two hearses bearing the remains of his mother and his brother, as it passed from the Gulick home to the burial ground at High Presbyterian church. Only on one occasion was he out of Lower Augusta township, and that was Friday night when he entered the Palmer House at Northumberland and bought a glass of beer. Gulick says that he did not expect to find Landlord Zerbe present at that hour and hence made a hasty exit as explained in the telegram which was received by the Chief-of-Police at this city and printed in these columns Saturday. He was in Danville the next day, he admits, which would lend color to the story of John and George Halderman, Saturday last, who claimed to have had a conversation with a man on Montour Ridge who answered the description of Gulick.

The Halderman brothers during the forenoon were strolling over the mountain. Upon reaching the vicinity of the old ore drift on the south side of the ridge near the "dug road" they were surprised to see a man emerge from the mine. The fellow's dirty and haggard appearance betokened the hardest kind of usage and the two brothers at once thought of Gulick. They managed to get into conversation with the man but could get but little satisfaction from him, his conduct being very suspicious. Upon leaving the drift the man went in the direction of Mooresburg. The boys returned to town immediately and reported the matter to Chief Mincemeyer. The Chief had a photograph of the murderer and as soon as the two laid their eyes upon it they were struck with the resemblance. Some doubted the boys, but many others who heard them relate their story felt convinced that they were telling the truth.

There are few persons to be found who are inclined to attribute Gulick's inhuman crime to mental derangement. Those who know him best have no such plea to make. The warden of the Sunbury jail Sunday stated that he was perfectly rational and showed no sign of mental weakness.

Successful Feast.

The dance given in the Armory Monday night under the auspices of Herbert Wyle was a decidedly successful affair. There were thirty-four couple present. Dancing continued until 2 a. m.

Post Office Change.

Ralph Diehl has accepted the position in the post office vacated by Eugene Miles, who has accepted a position in Ithaca, N. Y.

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