

RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

Table of railroad time tables for various lines including PRNN R. R., D. L. & W. R. R., PHILA & READING R. R., and BLOOM STREET.

INSERTING A NEW FIRE PLUG

Water was shut off from town Sunday afternoon as an aftermath of the flood of a week ago, which submerged the upper portion of the Borough.

As explained in these columns some time since under the precaution taken by the Water Superintendent to keep the surface water pumped out of the plugs there is not the remotest danger of the latter freezing no matter how cold the weather.

Sunday afternoon was the time selected for the work. The excavation was completed and everything got in readiness so that nothing remained to be done while the water was turned off but to disconnect the broken fire plug and insert the new one.

At 1:35 o'clock the Water Works whistle was sounded. People were misled, however, by the announcement made a week ago that the same whistle would be sounded in the event of the ice moving and Sunday instead of constraining the signal as intended and laying in a supply of water nearly everyone forgetting household affairs ran to the river expecting to see the ice gorge go by.

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DIPHTHERIA STAMPED OUT

Dr. Shultz, Secretary of the Board of Health, yesterday stated that diphtheria is entirely stamped out in our town. There are two houses in which scarlatina exists, but as one of these the little patient has so far advanced on the road to recovery that the house can hardly be said to be under quarantine and the placard is likely to be removed at any day.

The showing is certainly most gratifying considering the season of the year, which is one when infectious diseases that prey upon children are most likely to be rampant. It speaks well for the skill and vigilance of our physicians that scarlet fever and diphtheria, which at many places become epidemic, in Danville for so many years have been held in control.

Year in and year out Danville has sustained its reputation of being one of the most healthful towns in the State. So much for the past. The future foreshadows a still better state. Before another season we shall have completed our sewer, while the sewage from the Hospital for the Insane, which up to the present has polluted our water supply, shall have been eliminated by the adoption of the Waring System at the Hospital or the construction of a sewer down the canal to connect with the system in Danville.

Escaped an Awful Fate. Mr. H. Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life."

Will Test Pure Food Law. An interesting case is promised for the Northumberland county courts, which will call into action all the powers of the Pure Food Department. John P. Gibbons, proprietor of the National Hotel at Mt. Carmel was arrested Wednesday last by Deputy Pure Food Agent J. H. Venn for selling impure blackberry cordial.

My dear Mother, I was so glad to hear from you. I hope you are all well. I am feeling much better now. I will write to you again soon. I love you all very much.

STATE WILLING BUT HANDS TIED

Columbia County Commissioner William Bogert and District Attorney Dwyer of Bloomsburg, returned Friday evening from Harrisburg where they had gone to secure, if possible, the assistance of the Governor in having steps taken toward breaking up the ice jam which now extends from Kipp's Run to Belbond. They returned without having seen the Governor who had left only a few minutes before their arrival for Philadelphia to attend the testimonial banquet tendered Senator Penrose.

They saw the Governor's private secretary, however, who was fully in touch with the situation and who informed them that the Governor was disposed to do all in his power but was at a loss to know what to do, for the expert whom the Governor had sent over the ground had reported that the ice was impervious.

Mr. Dwyer and Mr. Bogert found that the Governor and his Cabinet were keenly alive to the situation; in fact it was a subject being discussed very much in the various departments. H. V. White, who represented the Columbia County Agricultural Society at the State meeting at Harrisburg last week was called in by the Governor to ask him to go to the exact situation. Mr. White gave him the benefit of such information as he had and immediately after the Governor sent an expert over the ground.

The expert sent to go over the situation was Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds Shumaker who was instructed by the Governor to go into the matter thoroughly and to consult with the experts of the Pennsylvania, Philadelphia & Reading and D. L. & W. railway companies. He went to Wilkesbarre, where he met General Superintendent Clark, of the D. L. & W. and Superintendent Allibone, of the Pennsylvania road and in a special train they traversed the entire route of the gorge.

It is practically a physical impossibility," he said, "to remove the ice as it would take a thousand men more than six months and a half, a million dollars scarcely paying for the work. There is no immediate danger of flood as the water has gone down and the only damage will be done when the ice breaks up."

There is really as much danger in Sanbury for when that mass of ice comes down the river it certainly will do some damage to the railroad and other bridges in this vicinity. It will be cheaper, however, to rebuild several bridges than to attempt to remove the ice. If the big gorge should lodge who Sanbury it would surely change the course of the stream and Sanbury would experience the worst flood in its history.

Receipts and Expenditures of Montour County, Penn'a. For the Year Ending January 4th, A. D., 1904.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE TAX ACCOUNTS OF THE SEVERAL COLLECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1903. Table with columns for DISTRICTS, COLLECTORS, COUNTY TAX, STATE TAX, and DOG TAX.

A. J. STEINMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH MONTOUR COUNTY. DR. TO CASH RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES. Balance on hand at last settlement, 8 855 71. County Tax received for 1903, 12726 50.

BY DISBURSEMENTS AS FOLLOWS CR. Amount paid on County Orders during year 1903 as per the below classified account of expenditures, \$18081 34. Amount paid Commonwealth for State tax of 1903 for which there was no order issued, \$2442 45.

A. J. STEINMAN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH LICENSERS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR A. D. 1903. To amount of Retail and Wholesale Mercantile Licenses, \$1397 57. To amount of Billiard and Pool Licenses, 100 00.

COURT EXPENSES AND COMMONWEALTH COSTS. Grand Jurors, \$700 00. Traverse Jurors, \$972 00. Constables making quarterly returns and tipstaves, 197 22.

DANVILLE RIVER BRIDGE EXPENSES. Contract price re-roofing River Bridge, \$2270 00. Paid direct to contractors by Commissioners of North D. Co., 1135 00.

JAIL EXPENDITURES. Coal, \$57 67. Gas, 47 29. Water rent and water repairs, 44 00.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF MONTOUR COUNTY. To amount of bonded indebtedness, \$11200 00. To amount due Commonwealth for taxes on County indebtedness for 1903, 44 80.

A TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

W. D. Laumaster, General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has been granted a leave of absence by the Board of Directors covering a period of seventy-one days in order to enable him to take a trip to the Holy Land in connection with the World's Sunday School Convention, which is to be held in the City of Jerusalem, April 18-30, 1904.

Mr. Laumaster, it will be recalled, was selected as one of the delegates to represent Pennsylvania at the World's Sunday School Convention. Each State and territory in the Union has a quota of delegates, the proportion assigned to Pennsylvania being forty-three. Mr. Laumaster feels that it is an honor and a mark of respect to be chosen as one of the delegates from our State, although no provisions are made for the expenses of the trip and the money will have to come out of his own pocket.

The cruise will take in the Mediterranean and the Orient and will occupy seventy-one days, from March 8th to May 18th. The party will consist of eight hundred persons, made up of men and women interested in Christian work.

Mr. Laumaster is certainly to be congratulated on being enabled to make the journey to the Holy Land at the present time not only on account of the diminished cost of the trip—probably not more than \$75—but also for the splendid opportunity for rest, study and spiritual invigoration. Returning he will no doubt be better qualified in every way for the work in which he is engaged.

Surprise Party. A surprise party was tendered Mrs. Alice Arvin at her home in West Hemlock township on Saturday last. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bogert and daughters Nellie and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. George Barnhart and daughters Ruth, Grace and Rachel, Mrs. E. M. Arvin, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Styer, Mrs. Bell Hutchison, Miss Childs, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Confer and daughter Laura, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Welliver and daughter Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brangler, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kitchin, and children, Miss Edie Lily, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Snyder and children, Mrs. Martha Thompson, Mrs. Barbara, Mr. John Thompson, Mrs. Carrie Thompson of Danville, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Manstetter, and children, Mrs. Helen Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Purser, Mrs. Sarah A. Newberry, Mrs. Mary Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dugan, Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Heppner, Mrs. Mary Ann, Mrs. Mary Ann, Mrs. Mary Ann.

Winter Dinner. The high school dinner that took place in this city with the children of the Milton A. to the Army on Friday night.

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Ayer's Cherry Pectoral advertisement. Text describing the medicine's benefits for coughs, colds, and consumption. Includes a large illustration of the product bottle.