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CONDENSED NEWS.

Not many April showers thus far. Back yards are receiving attention. Garden making will now begin in earnest.
Efforts should be made to prevent the usual spring forest fires. It is announced it will cost \$30 to "do" the "Pike" at the St. Louis Exposition.

Now the weather sharps are trying to make us believe that spring is not much later than usual.
The state convention of the Patriotic Order of Americans will convene in Harrisburg on the morning of the 17th of May.

There is every indication that the travel to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition will be immense from the inauguration of the great fair within a few days.
Every individual has a duty to perform in the matter of making the city attractive. That is, each resident should make the environment of his home beautiful.

At the Catawissa bridge the ice is still piled up several feet in thickness and below Catawissa in some places it is piled on the bank about ten feet in thickness.

Melanoy City is to have a pasteurized milk plant which will be in operation in three weeks. A similar institution at Shamokin has proved a great success, sterilized milk being in great demand.

There is little arbutus to be had about the country at the present time. The cold weather is keeping back this popular flower, but a warm day or two will bring it out in fine style.
The farmers of Nebraska and Colorado are welcoming a drenching rain after a long drought, which will now allow them to plant their corn and seed their Spring wheat.

The forest fires are again with us, despite the measures taken to have the mountains looked after by the constables. What is needed is foresters and fire wardens who will do nothing else.
Attorney Harry Knight, of Sanbury, is circulating a petition in which he prays for the bridge recently washed away, which spanned the Susquehanna between Sanbury and Northumberland, to be declared a county bridge. If it becomes a county bridge it will cost fully \$200,000 to replace it.

The grain fields in this section do not look any too promising after the severe winter, and a number of them will have a short crop. The grain in the ground was badly injured by the prolonged cold, and the crop is expected to be below the average.

In some towns the authorities are already taking precautions in regard to minimizing the danger in the use of explosives on the Fourth of July. The list of deaths after the celebration of this national holiday is greater than the loss in many battles and the enforcing of the law will save many lives.
The pick, shovel and trowel used by Governor Feinypacker in breaking ground for the commencement of the work of rebuilding Shamokin Dam road in Snyder county, under the good road law, have been received at the Highway Department at Harrisburg. They will be decorated and placed on the walls of the Department.

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TWO MONTHS TO COMPLETE SEWER

The Borough is making preparations to resume work on the sewer, which was suspended last fall.
Peter J. Keefe, under whose superintendence the work was done last summer, stated yesterday that the intention was to begin work on next Monday, but the rainy weather that has set in has led to a change of plans. The ground will be found very wet for a week or more and it is not likely that any excavating will be done much before the middle of May.
The work last summer was carried from the river to a point above the D. L. & W. station. Mr. Keefe states that it will require at least two months to complete the work, one month to carry the sewer from the D. L. & W. station to its source just beyond the P. L. Brewery and another month to complete the work in the river, where iron pipe of large dimensions will have to be laid.
The month of the sewer is still at some distance below the level of the water in the river, but it has been ascertained that there is a swift and continuous flow of water through the pipes, which is evidence that the sewer is intact all along its course notwithstanding the rigors of last winter.

The Cross-Country Walk.
Notwithstanding the drizzling rain yesterday morning six enthusiastic members of the Men's gymnasium classes showed up at the Y. M. C. A. at an early hour prepared to take part in the regular weekly cross-country walks.
These were: W. E. Gosh, A. C. Amesbury, S. F. Ricketts, W. E. Langer, W. L. McClure and Edward Fallon. Headed by Physical Director C. C. Carpenter at 7 o'clock they left the Building and wended their way toward the Dog road, which led them up to Mounton Ridge, which they followed as far as the Diel farm, when they turned down into the valley, returning home by way of Maudsdale and the Cycle path, the distance traversed being some seven miles. They reached the Y. M. C. A. building at 9 o'clock.

The route for next week has not yet been selected, but there are several which are under consideration. One of these leads around by Toby Run Hollow, one over Blue Hill, returning by the base, one around by Kilmessing, one over the hill to Frosty Valley and another from Welsh Hill over the new road to Wireman's corner.

Wedding at Roaring Creek.
Miss Edna Cleaver of Roaring Creek and Bruce A. McCracken of South Danville were united in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cleaver and the ceremony was performed at the parental home at 12:30 p. m., Rev. C. D. Lereh of this city officiating. Miss Catherine Faux was bridesmaid and J. C. Funk of Barnham best man.

The bride is a most estimable young lady with a large circle of friends. The groom is a night operator at South Danville station and is a capable and reliable young man. The newly wedded couple left on a trip to Washington, returning they will take up their residence in South Danville, occupying the dwelling owned by Isaac Hoffmann, Sanbury street.

About fifty guests were present representing Danville, South Danville, Shamokin, Plymouth and Wilkesbarre, Catawissa and Hazleton. An elaborate dinner was served.

A Large Chimney Collapses.
A peculiar mishap occurred on the premises of Undertaker George W. Koat, East Market street, on Monday night.
About midnight the residents of the immediate neighborhood were awakened by a loud crash in the rear of the establishment. Several persons left their beds to investigate.
An explanation was found in the fact that a chimney built in the rear had collapsed, falling onto the floor.
The chimney was not known to be unsafe. That the accident occurred at night is regarded as most fortunate, as during the day at nearly all hours the family are passing backwards and forwards over the spot and it would have been a miracle if they should have escaped being caught under the avalanche of falling brick.

Little Child's Close Call.
C. C. Levan, a fireman on the S. H. & W. division, saved the life of a little child at South Danville yesterday forenoon.
The little one—a child scarcely more than four years of age—strayed from its home nearby and was playing upon the track at the crossing above the erry when a freight train came rolling along. When discovered the child was on the track a short distance from the engine. Without the loss of a moment Fireman Levan jumped down from his perch and running ahead picked up the child. But for the quick action of the fireman in another moment the little one would no doubt have been under the wheels of the locomotive.

Painting His Store.
Charles F. Abbott, dealer in tobacco and cigars, is employing his spare moments in painting the front of his store at Mill and West Mahoning streets. The color is red.

SCHOOL BOARD IN SESSION

The graduating class of the High School has carried its point with reference to music and is permitted, if it so desires, to employ an orchestra for Commencement. The class last year furnished its own music, which proved a most pleasing feature of the graduating exercises. The class of 1904 not feeling musically inclined itself or for some other reason desires the assistance of an orchestra. The matter was brought before the School Board at the previous meeting, but the directors owing to the constantly increasing deficiency attending Commencement did not take kindly to the proposition, rather favoring the plan of last year when the class furnished the music, with the result that that item of expense—which is considerable—was eliminated. The matter was referred to the Committee on High School for a full investigation.
George Jacobs of the High School Committee made a report Monday evening. The Committee, he said, had met with the graduating class and was convinced that it is not situated to furnish music as a part of commencement exercises. The class feels sure that if it is given full financial management of Commencement it can employ an orchestra and obviate any deficiency. The class made a proposition agreeing to make good any deficiency that might occur provided the School Board would leave the entire financial management in the hands of the class. The right to control and direct the literary program of course was left in the hands of the School Board.
Professor Carey spoke in favor of the proposition. He said he believed the plan, if adopted, would have a tendency to wipe out the spirit of rivalry among the classes, which in the past has led to much extravagance in the way of decoration, &c., at Commencement.
On motion of Mr. Werkheiser, the proposition as made by the class was adopted.

Mr. Fischer called attention to the old fence remaining on the lot of the Depot School, Railroad street, which, he said, should be sold, the building being torn down and removed. On motion it was ordered that the fence be offered for sale.
The following members were present: Keefe, Orth, Groene, Barnes, Parsi, Werkheiser, VonBlon, Fischer, Hancock, Adams, Jacobs and Hapel.
The following bills were approved for payment:
Teacher and janitor \$100.00
Water Rent 37.50
C. H. Schmid 27.30
Thomas G. Vincent 20.00
A. C. Roat 11.80
E. C. Langer 1.00
Ezra D. Haas 1.25
Miles Walsh 1.00
Oscar Lockhoff 1.50

White Chapel at Ridgeville.
The White Chapel at Ridgeville, a mission of Trinity M. E. church, this city, has become a popular place of worship with the people of the East end on Sunday afternoons.
The little church situated in a pleasant grove at the right hand side of the road as one leaves town, is a familiar landmark and once was a prominent place of worship, being embraced at different times by the Buckhorn and the Washingtonville charge.

It was later abandoned and for some years was closed. Rev. N. E. Cleaver, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church, about a year ago conceived of the idea of opening the abandoned church as a mission. The idea was popular from the beginning and the attendance is always all that could be desired. Services are held there on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, an hour which will not conflict with Sunday School. The people attending are those residing in that locality who belong to Trinity M. E. church.

Through the efforts of those people the little church last year was painted on the outside and fixed up very nicely on the interior. In addition a snug sum of money was raised at the mission to augment the pastor's salary.

Fare Reduced to Five Cents.
The ferry fare has not put the naphtha launches out of commission; on the contrary with today they will enter upon a new lease of existence as factors in transportation between this city and South Danville.
Beginning with this morning the fare will be reduced to five cents each way on both launches, which will henceforth fly backward and forward above the bridge, with a well constructed landing near the ferry. Easy steps will be constructed on the river bank with a dry walk leading to the water's edge.
The little boats will be found always available and being clean, dry and speedy with the fare at a popular figure they will no doubt find many passengers.

Little Child's Painful Injury.
Mary, the year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Mauser of near Grovania, sustained a painful injury on Tuesday. She was being carried up stairs by her mother when the latter slipped and the child fell to the stairs bringing her jaws together and cutting a bad gash in her tongue. It was necessary to insert a couple of stitches, the operation being performed by Dr. Curry and Dr. Panics of this city. Last evening the child was reported as doing very nicely.

DISTRICT STEWARDS ARDS MEET

The Board of District Stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church for this district held its first meeting under the administration of Rev. A. S. Baldwin, the new Presiding Elder, at St. Paul's M. E. Church, this city, Monday morning.
The object of these meetings is to fix and apportion the presiding Elder's salary among the charges of the district; also to apportion amounts for Bishop's support.
Presiding Elder A. S. Baldwin presided at the meeting of the District Stewards, J. C. S. Brown of Bloomsburg was Secretary.
Rev. S. B. Evans, pastor of St. Paul's church, this city, and Rev. T. L. Tompkinson of Mt. Carmel attended the meeting. The following District Stewards were present: Berwick, William Brobner; Bloomsburg, L. L. Sharpless; Catawissa, Dr. L. B. Kline; Jonestown, L. L. Austin; Danville—St. Paul's, Hon. James Foster; Trinity, W. F. Gearhart; Shikshinny, R. M. Tubbs; Hazleton, S. H. Beishline; Northumberland, M. L. Morgan; Light Street, A. B. White; Excelsior, H. H. Metz; Shamokin, A. Campbell; Millville, R. W. Smith; Nesquehoning, John Smith; Riverside, Jesse Shoop; Elysburg, J. W. Gearhart.
The following resolution was adopted: That the Board of District Stewards in annual session hereby extend a cordial welcome to Rev. A. S. Baldwin, our newly appointed Presiding Elder, and that we pledge him our hearty and earnest support in all his work.
Attendants are Uniformed.
The uniforms for attendants have arrived at the Hospital for the Insane. They are not being very generally worn, however, as yet. A few of them were found to be ill fitting and were returned to Philadelphia for alteration. It may be a week or more before the entire corps of attendants will be arrayed in uniforms.
A few of the attendants have been wearing their new suits occasionally. A couple of them were seen in town, where their blue suits, caps and brass buttons excited a good deal of curiosity among people who were not aware that uniforms had been adopted at the Hospital.
The idea of adopting a uniform for attendants from the first was popular with the attaches of the Hospital, notwithstanding that the wearer is obliged to pay for his own suit. The custom is pretty generally adopted at Hospitals throughout the State and it seemed desirable that Danville should be in the line of progress.
The attendants will be given every opportunity to preserve their suits neat and clean and will not be obliged to wear them until after the morning work in the ward is done.

Steam Crane Strikes a Bridge.
A slight accident befell the D. L. & W. bridge crew while in this city Sunday, which might have resulted very seriously.
They were taking the steam crane up to Sechler's run near the Stove Works where a small bridge was to be placed in position. In passing through the P. & R. bridge just above the D. L. & W. station they made a miscalculation as to the height and the big crane struck the bridge. There was only a margin of an inch or so, but the rigid iron work ploughed through the heavy girders in a way that made the splinters fly and started a rattle and roar in the structure overhead which made the crew think that the timbers were going to rattle down upon their heads. There were a dozen men on the crane and instinctively, regardless of the rate of speed attained they all jumped. Several of them fell sprawling but all escaped injury with the exception of R. W. Walker, Jr., of Scranton, Superintendent of bridges of this division, who sustained a badly sprained knee and ankle. There was no occasion for jumping had the men only known it, as the bridge above was not materially damaged.

Ready to Invite Bids.
Plans and specifications for the culverts to replace the canal bridges, drawn up by Borough Surveyor G. F. Keefe, are expected to arrive at City Hall today.
The intention is to advertise for bids immediately so as to have all proposals in by Friday night, May 6th, the next meeting night of Council, when the contract will be awarded.
The object is to get at the bridges as quickly as possible so as to have the street cut down to the proper level and the work out of the way by the time the Borough is ready to begin street paving.

Cementing Wall Nearly Completed.
The work of cementing the middle wall at the Water Works to render it water tight in times of flood has progressed very near to a finish. It was necessary to sink the excavation to a depth of nearly 20 feet before the cement could be applied.
At one point the wall was found to contain a large fissure, which was carefully closed. The wall is now considered perfectly safe and no matter how high the river the engineers can work in the pump-house with some sense of security and without the water pouring in upon them.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Long of Berwick, spent Sunday at the home of C. C. Long, West Mahoning street.
William Harris of Youngstown, Ohio, is the guest of relatives in this city. Mr. Harris was a former Danville resident and this is his first visit East in eleven years.
Miss Anna Heim left yesterday on the 10:19 D. L. & W. train for St. Louis, Mo., where she has accepted an engagement with the Van Allen Stock Co.

Hon. H. M. Hinckley transacted business in Bloomsburg yesterday.
Miss Ella Snyder called on friends in Bloomsburg yesterday.
E. D. Pentz was a Scranton visitor yesterday.

Eleanor Maier of Philadelphia is visiting at the home of his brother, Elias Maier, this city.
M. E. Kinsley, of New York City, traveling freight agent of the Georgia Central Railway transacted business in this city yesterday.

J. P. Knight of Philadelphia, traveling freight agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad transacted business in this city yesterday.
Mrs. J. W. S. Robison of Milton, visited relatives in this city yesterday.

W. Kase West, Esq., and County Commissioner C. W. Cook returned home last evening from a business trip to Philadelphia and Harrisburg.
Rev. E. T. Swartz of South Danville, called on friends in Freeville yesterday.

Rev. Edward Haughton, Dr. H. B. Meredith and F. C. Angle, Esq., returned yesterday from Lancaster where they attended the Spring meeting of the Episcopal Church club of Central Pennsylvania.

Robert K. Sheppard of Chicago, Ill., representing the American Steel and Wire Co., manufacturers of Trolley wire, transacted business at the office of the Danville and Bloomsburg Street railway company yesterday.

Miss Grace Keller visited friends in Bloomsburg yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Gultek left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Mrs. William Brent visited relatives in Scranton yesterday.
Alfred Blecher transacted business in Northumberland yesterday.

Thomas Kessler of Northumberland, was a Danville visitor yesterday.
Joseph Oeschger left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Iowa Falls, Iowa.

William Hess of Bloomsburg, transacted business in this city yesterday.
R. S. Miller transacted business in Northumberland yesterday.

Mrs. Samuel Boyer returned to her home in Plymouth yesterday after a visit with relatives in this city.
Mrs. J. H. Geeser and daughter, Miss Coletta, were visitors in Scranton yesterday.
Elijah Morgan of Schuylers was a Danville visitor yesterday.

Ice Wagon in a Runaway.
A horse attached to Delcamp's ice wagon ran away on Saturday morning and collided with the team of the Welliver Hardware Company injuring one of the horses.
The ice wagon came rattling down Mill street at a lively clip just as the hardware wagon was backed up in front of Moore's Hardware store. The team was quickly drawn around up the street to give the ice wagon room to pass, but in spite of the precaution one of the horses of the hardware wagon was struck upon the hind legs and very painful abrasions were inflicted which extend from the body to the hoof. The horse will be unfit for service for some time.

As a result of the collision the front wheel of the ice wagon went to pieces, which caused the vehicle to drop, after which the horse was caught without much difficulty.

Accident to Coal Digger.
The coal digger met with a mishap Tuesday evening which kept it out on the river all night. As it was steaming up to its dock below the Water Works the sprocket wheel carrying the chain connected with paddle wheels broke, which made it impossible to navigate any further, while the craft ground in the current, was carried down to the bend in the river.
A new sprocket wheel was ordered yesterday and the coal digger will no doubt be at work again today.

Whelbarrows Gone Astray.
The attaches of the Water Works are lamenting the loss of some half a dozen whelbarrows, which are considered indispensable adjuncts of the plant. These were kindly lent to parties immediately after the bridge was carried in transporting trunks and other heavy articles. The Water Commissioners are now waiting to see how many of these whelbarrows will be returned.

Poeth—Winters.
Ernest Poeth and Miss Minerva Winters, both of this city, were married by Rev. E. B. Dunn on Friday evening. The ceremony was performed at the parsonage of the United Evangelical church at 8:30 o'clock.

OLD TIMERS WILL REORGANIZE

Voters of base ball will be gratified to learn that the great national game will occupy a prominent place among the sports in store for the people of Danville during the coming season.
The Board of Directors of "The Old Timers," which has been the principal factor in base ball here for several years past, will hold a meeting on Friday night for the purpose of organizing and forming plans for the season.
The choice of grounds this year will lie between DeWitt's Park, where the team has played for several years past, and the abandoned fair grounds which has been leased by Erwin Hunter, the proprietor of the park adjoining.
The season will open about the close of next month. The first game will be played on Saturday, May 21st. The opposing team has not as yet been decided upon, but it will be a first-class attraction. McCloud, who has signed with Oxford, will pitch the opening game for Danville. The managers have several good pitchers in view and expect to put a first class team in the field.
The team which last year was known as the Danville Base Ball Association, has decided to return to the name under which it attained such prominence two years ago and it will again be known as "The Old Timers." The players, now stable and successful business men, each in his day was a base ball player of weight, whose reputation was something more than purely local. Among the members of the team are Hon. R. Scott Ammerman, member of the Legislature; W. E. Gosh, a well-known and successful druggist; Jesse Shannon, proprietor of a leading meat market; Simon Hoffman, Democratic County Chairman of Montour, and Arthur Lawrence, a rising and successful merchant of Maudsdale. The Board of Managers who served last year and who will not be re-elected, are: Edward F. Williams, Fred Jacobs, A. C. Amesbury, F. G. Schoch, W. E. Gosh, Thomas G. Vincent, Sam. A. McCoy and Ralph Kiser, Esq.

The object of "The Old Timers" is not to make money, the five business and professional men on the team merely playing for the exercise that is in it or for the sake of the outing. Should a surplus occur, as during the last two seasons, the amount over and above the expenses will be distributed among the players.
Although "Old Timers" the aggregation has shown its ability to hold its own in the past, it is expected that some of the most notable games that were ever played in Danville. Two of the games were played with the Cuban Giants, famous for their batting; three were with the All-Cubans, unexcelled as fielders and base runners. In addition to these games were played with teams representing nearly all the neighboring towns, the games without exception being characterized by scientific and conscientious play.

Another Word Picture of War.
Miss Martha Berninger, secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in China, has sent to her parents at Catawissa, a letter which was written by a friend in Yokohama, Japan, of which the following is an excerpt. It has to do with the Japanese war situation and will be found to be of no little interest:
"As yet Japan has not suffered at all, as far as loss of life is concerned, but we are expecting momentarily to hear of the great battle in Manchuria. Russia is doomed, we think. Today, March 8, the soldiers in our part of the city, Yokohama, are being called out and are going off to the war. Processions of thousands of people have been going down Heights Hill at intervals all day, accompanying a few soldiers to the station with ringing cries of Banzai and Banzai and Banzai again. As a usual thing, however, the city is perfectly quiet and it is only at the railroad station where the crowd gather to cheer the soldiers trains as they go by, that there is any noise. Japan is a great country and the manner in which they are carrying this war is incomparable."

Crossing River in the Rain.
Yesterday with its succession of heavy showers brought a new experience to the ferrymen. Passenger traffic was reduced to a minimum, no one crossing the river unless obliged to do so. Such persons like the ferrymen found conditions extremely disagreeable and were apt to look with double regret upon the loss of the bridge with sheltered sidewalks, which in the severest weather always made the trip over the river comfortable and easy.
The season of the year is approaching however, when fair weather predominates and a ride on the ferry with everything in good working order, should more frequently prove a pleasant experience than otherwise.

A Social.
A social under the auspices of the Y. P. S. of C. E. was held at Mahoning Presbyterian Church on Friday evening. The following program was rendered:
Piano Solo Miss Blanche Sechler.
Mandolin Solo Miss Kimerer.
Recitation Miss Furman.
Vocal Solo Mrs. Scalet.
Violin Solo Miss Madge Sanders.
Piano Solo Miss Bonsinger.
of Sterling, Ill.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY

Postmaster C. P. Harder is authorized to extend Rural Free Delivery from the Danville post office with two additional carriers. The extension of the service will begin Monday, May 16. The routes to be followed are those laid down by Special Agent Shoenberger in a report dated February 27, 1904, and which will be known as routes No. 6 and 7.

Route No. 6 begins at the post office in Danville, thence proceeding to Rushtown—to Yost's Corner—to Union Corner post office—to Snyder's Corner—to Adams' Corner—to Pencil's Corner—to Rodamel's Corner—to Kimbel's Corner—to Quitman—to Wallace's Corner—to River Road—to Baker's Corner—to Cherry Road—to Danville post office.

Total length of route is 22 and nine-sixteenths miles; area covered, 18 square miles; population 500; number of houses on route, one hundred and fifteen.

Route No. 7 begins at Danville post office, thence proceeding west by way of Riverside and Kipp's Run to J. E. Campbell's—to Catawissa road—to Eckman road—to Moore's Corner—to Cardell's Corner—to Rush Church—to Yost's Corner—to Eckman's Corner—to Rush town—to Eckman's Corner—to Wertman's Corner—to Entler's Corner—to Wyant's Corner—to Wilson's Run—to River road—to Danville post office.

Total length of route, 23 3/4 miles; area covered, 14 square miles; population, 475; number of houses on route, ninety-six.

Big Circus at Wilkesbarre.
"I am," said Dr. Samuel Johnson, "the great friend of public amusements, for they keep the people from vice," and although there were not circuses in the ponderous old philosopher's day, could he enjoy the one bearing the title of Forepaugh and Sells Brothers Enormous Shows United, it would doubtless strengthen his opinion of the good sense of his dictum. It is as conspicuous for good entertainment and wholesome fun as for the possession of almost unlimited resources, both in performance and presentation.

Of the general character of the exhibitions it need only be said that it embraces everything most popular in its line, besides including some very unusual special features, among which the following are exploited in its advertisements, and seem to deserve to be: In its menagerie, for example, there are several lions, a pair of living full-grown Polar bears, a larger number than were probably ever heretofore seen together at any one time, even by the eyes of Arctic explorers. The first appearance in America of the Bruin Lecussons, the famous French family of seven equestrians, introducing their commingled bareback and four-in-hand brake acrobatic performances, deserves special mention, as the only entirely new circus feature known to the arena of the past fifty years.

Forepaugh and Sells Bros. big circus will appear in Wilkesbarre on Thursday, May 5th.

Landslide Covered Him.
While working on the road between Iola and Sereno Monday evening about five o'clock, Nathan Moser, a well known resident of Iola, was caught and pinned under a huge mass of frozen ground weighing about a thousand pounds, falling from above and crushing him to the earth. He with several workmen was clearing away the ground from the road which had been deposited there by a previous slide, and at the time of the accident was shoveling ground on a wagon. The frozen cake fell without the least warning and barely missed the wagon and the other men. Moser was released as quickly as possible and was taken home. An examination was made and it was found that two ribs were broken and that he had sustained severe internal injuries. He kept gradually sinking until about eight o'clock Monday night when he expired.

In the Springtime.
This is the time of year when Don't Worry clubs should flourish and wax strong of number, though the very name precludes strenuous activity. For in the Spring, when every healthy animal abandons himself to the joy of living, one doesn't care whether school keeps or not and, indeed, prefers it closed.

Drinking in pure air that is never purer, basked in bright sunshine that is never brighter, listening to the sweet songs of birds that are never sweeter, feeling the thrill of rejuvenation and the soothing influence of gentle Spring one cannot avoid bidding dull care begone and inviting in its stead joyous content.

Go out and enjoy nature. Ignore and abandon the artificial for a season. If you like angling go with rod and line and give no heed to the smallness of your catch. Let intended piscatorial achievement be only a pretext. If you want to write poetry to your sweetheart's eyebrows or the tendrils on her abaster neck go where whispering winds bring pleasing phrases and rippling waters give them rhythm.

In short do anything that will get you away from worry and care and forestall trouble that may never come. Go to nature and join the Don't Worry club, that you may live longer and be filled with the joy of living.

Rain Beneficial.
The rain of the last couple of days has been wonderfully potent in bringing out the grass on the fields and lawns. It will also assist to revive the wheat very much and many fields will no doubt make a much better showing in few days. Fruit trees are budding nicely, and the willows along the river are bursting into foliage.

LIKE A PAGE FROM FICTION

Justice of the Peace J. P. Bare yesterday discovered the whereabouts of a long-lost brother, whom he had not seen for forty-six years and whom he had regarded as dead for nearly thirty years.

The story reads like a page from fiction. Justice Bare was born near Audubon, Lower Providence township, Montgomery county, a son of Frederick and Susanna Bare. Among the children was a daughter and another son, younger than our townsmen. In 1853 J. P. Bare, then approaching man's estate, came to Montour county leaving his brother in Montgomery county.

When the Civil War broke out Frederick Bare enlisted in the navy. He served three years and was honorably discharged. He was mustered out of service on the Pacific coast, whence he drifted into the interior of the great and then undeveloped West. From that day until the present his life has been crowded with adventure. Immediately after the war he was employed by Barlow, Sanders & Co., of Leadville, Colorado, as one of the riders of the famous pony express. He followed this perilous and exciting avocation for many years, carrying the mails across Indian Territory, until in the march of progress the stage coach superseded the pony, when he became a driver assuming along with his promotion added responsibilities and risks.

Justice Bare occasionally heard from his brother. As time wore on, however, and the frontier of civilization advanced the stage coach was dispatched farther and farther into the wilds of the undeveloped country. As new routes westward were successively inaugurated Frederick Bare was invariably selected by Barlow, Sanders & Company as the one man whose nerve and experience fitted him for the position of stage coach driver to take care of the lives and treasure entrusted to their hands for transportation through the new country. It was difficult therefore to keep track of Frederick. The last letter received was in 1876. He was then in the region of the Red River.

After waiting for many years and receiving no tidings the relatives in the East began to fear that the stage coach driver had fallen a victim to the perils which beset his path. Letters of inquiry were addressed to many sources including post offices throughout the West. There were none that brought any information and the fears which were at first entertained as to Frederick's whereabouts grew into a conviction that he was dead.

Years have passed. All hope of hearing from the long absent brother was long ago abandoned. Justice Bare's surprise can be imagined therefore when yesterday—23 years after receiving the last word from his brother—he received a letter signed by "Fred Bare."

The letter was written at Albuquerque, New Mexico, and was penned as by a stranger. The writer had heard through a resident—supposed to be a Danville man—that there was a man by the name of J. P. Bare living in this city. This was the name of his own brother and he wrote making inquiries to determine whether it could be his relative. The brief description he gave of his own birth, family and subsequent career cleared up the whole mystery. The dead was alive.

Justice Bare immediately penned a reply and during the next few days will await with feverish anxiety a letter from his brother which will give a full account of all that has ensued and clear up the mystery of his long silence.

Another Word Picture of War.
Miss Martha Berninger, secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in China, has sent to her parents at Catawissa, a letter which was written by a friend in Yokohama, Japan, of which the following is an excerpt. It has to do with the Japanese war situation and will be found to be of no little interest:
"As yet Japan has not suffered at all, as far as loss of life is concerned, but we are expecting momentarily to hear of the great battle in Manchuria. Russia is doomed, we think. Today, March 8, the soldiers in our part of the city, Yokohama, are being called out and are going off to the war. Processions of thousands of people have been going down Heights Hill at intervals all day, accompanying a few soldiers to the station with ringing cries of Banzai and Banzai and Banzai again. As a usual thing, however, the city is perfectly quiet and it is only at the railroad station where the crowd gather to cheer the soldiers trains as they go by, that there is any noise. Japan is a great country and the manner in which they are carrying this war is incomparable."

Crossing River in the Rain.
Yesterday with its succession of heavy showers brought a new experience to the ferrymen. Passenger traffic was reduced to a minimum, no one crossing the river unless obliged to do so. Such persons like the ferrymen found conditions extremely disagreeable and were apt to look with double regret upon the loss of the bridge with sheltered sidewalks, which in the severest weather always made the trip over the river comfortable and easy.
The season of the year is approaching however, when fair weather predominates and a ride on the ferry with everything in good working order, should more frequently prove a pleasant experience than otherwise.

A Social.
A social under the auspices of the Y. P. S. of C. E. was held at Mahoning Presbyterian Church on Friday evening. The following program was rendered:
Piano Solo Miss Blanche Sechler.
Mandolin Solo Miss Kimerer.
Recitation Miss Furman.
Vocal Solo Mrs. Scalet.
Violin Solo Miss Madge Sanders.
Piano Solo Miss Bonsinger.
of Sterling, Ill.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

Rural Free Delivery.
Postmaster C. P. Harder is authorized to extend Rural Free Delivery from the Danville post office with two additional carriers. The extension of the service will begin Monday, May 16. The routes to be followed are those laid down by Special Agent Shoenberger in a report dated February 27, 1904, and which will be known as routes No. 6 and 7.