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CONDENSED NEWS.

May flowers.
Sunshine at last.
Farewell to the oyster.
Summer days are coming.
The thermometer is climbing up.
The ice-man is increasing in importance.

The last month of the borough school term.

It is a comfort to reflect that the bugs and flies are late, too.

Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show will appear in Sunbury on Saturday, May 14.

The circus is coming. The bluebirds may be certain that Spring is here to stay.

The cleanliness of your surroundings has much to do with your good health.

Arrangements for the celebration of Memorial day should be thorough and elaborate.

The hitching of hungry horses to shade trees is an evil that should be counteracted.

Walter L. Main's mammoth railroad show will appear in Bloomsburg on Thursday, May 26th.

The "goosebone" weather prophet at Reading warns the people "not to shed their heavy flannels before circus time."

Front gates and front steps are not yet in commission. Hammocks are also in the garrets. There is a good time coming, however.

Our own idea of a model husband is one who can go through the house cleaning season twice a year and still wear a happy smile.

Don't fail to see the grand free street parade of the Bard Bros. big new United Shows on next Thursday, May 2, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Under the reapportionment movement relative to legislative districts, Northumberland county is entitled to three instead of two assemblies.

With the adjournment of congress there is an apparent deficit of \$77,000,000 between the appropriations and the estimated revenues for next year.

The members of the Pennsylvania State Editorial association will be the guests of the Williamsport Board of Trade, and the newspaper men of the city, during the last week of June.

Public school scholars all over the state are being interested in a plan to raise a \$400,000 memorial fund to perpetuate the memory of Thaddeus Stevens, the father of the public school system in Pennsylvania.

The beautiful trailing arbutus is now in its prime and apparently in more abundance than ever. Every one who goes in quest of the dainty forest flower returns home well laden. And the tint of the flower this year is particularly beautiful.

Pennsylvania day at the St. Louis exposition will be held on August 20th, on the anniversary of the battle of Falling Timbers, in which General Wayne, a Pennsylvanian, commanded the troops that won a great victory and virtually eliminated the Indians from the Purchase. Governor Pennypacker will deliver an address, and it is probable that a State military display will be made.

Bagguetted at Hotel Oliver.

The local staff of Prudential Insurance workers enjoyed a fine banquet at Hotel Oliver last evening, which was held in honor of a special effort put forth the week before last when eighty applications were written. The following sat around the banquet board:

O. R. Schilling, Assistant Superintendent; Medical Examiner P. C. Newbaker; F. E. McArran, J. E. Pfahler, James Smith, G. J. Cunningham, J. T. Oberdorf, H. S. Howell.

Sowing the Seed.

Yesterday was another ideal May day. The farmers are now putting in full time ploughing and sowing oats.

Throughout town garden digging is fully under way and at nearly every residence where there is a lawn or a garden spot one or more persons might have been seen, employed on the grounds yesterday.

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Little Girl's Mishap.

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BURGLARS MAKE RICH HAUL

The manse of the Grove Presbyterian church was burglarized on Monday night and silverware and money to the value of nearly \$100 were stolen.

When Mrs. Silberman, wife of the teacher, descended to the kitchen yesterday morning a scene of confusion met her gaze. The door opening on the porch facing a street was wide open while a window by its side was raised to its full height.

A glance into the dining room was sufficient to convince her that the house had been robbed and thoroughly alarmed she flew upstairs to communicate her discovery to her husband.

It required but a short investigation to convince Mr. and Mrs. McCormack that they were the victims of a heavy and most heartless robbery. Nearly all their silverware intrinsically valuable and precious because of association was missing along with three purses and their contents.

The silverware missing, all of which was solid, according to a most conservative estimate was worth over \$300 and included two teapots, cream pitcher, egg castor with cups and spoons, meat fork, nut picks, ladies' solid spoons, and other articles all solid silver. Many of the pieces were marked "McC." others, which belonged to Mrs. McCormack, were marked "Lena," while several spoons, birthday presents to Dr. McCormack's little daughter, were engraved with her name, "Glady's."

The silverware stolen, Dr. McCormack explained yesterday, represents the accumulation of fifteen years. Every year it seems, is likely to have his own notion as to how the wedding feast should be applied. Dr. McCormack from the time he entered the ministry has made it a practice of investing all the money that he has received for marrying couples in solid silverware for the table. As a result after the lapse of years his house had become stocked with a fine lot of choice silverware.

This was all kept in a drawer of the sideboard in the dining room, which like all the other drawers of the apartment was found open yesterday morning. The drawer was practically empty, containing only a few pieces of plated ware.

The burglars were evidently professionals as is indicated by their accuracy in distinguishing the solid silver from that which was plated. The plated articles were invariably left behind, several of them having been set out of the way on the sideboard.

After selecting the silver they wanted the burglars turned their attention to the closets and drawers in the room. A small writing desk was ransacked, but nothing was taken but some postage stamps. In the closet everything was turned topsy-turvy. Here three purses were found and stolen, which in the aggregate contained over five dollars in cash. One of the purses belonged to little Gladys and another contained Mrs. McCormack's visiting cards.

All about the floor were found spots of wax, drippings from a candle carried by the burglars. By this means they were traced into the hallway and from there into the parlor. In the hall they inspected some clothing upon a rack, but neither here nor in the parlor was there a single article missing. Several circumstances indicate that the burglars were frightened off, otherwise, it is believed, they would have invaded the second story. A large silver fruit dish was found yesterday morning upon a chair beside the sideboard as though the intention was to place the smaller pieces upon it. The fact that this was left behind while a gingham apron left in the room is missing, is taken to indicate that the robbers may have been unable to carry out their plans and in making a hasty exit seized the apron and tumbled the silverware into it.

Dr. McCormack is of the opinion that the burglary was committed about the hour of midnight. The window, although secured with patent fastenings had become somewhat loose with long usage and was easily raised with the aid of a jimmy.

Two suspicious characters were seen about town Monday. They had the appearance of crooks and spent their time among the stables on either side of the P. & E. R. track in the vicinity of Hemlock street. The Chief-of-Police ran them out of town Monday afternoon. It is said, however, they came back again and a significant circumstance is that they were not in town yesterday morning.

After the robbery the police gave the town a thorough search, but they were unable to find anyone to whom any suspicion attached. They also communicated with ten neighboring towns giving an account of the robbery and describing the articles stolen.

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A FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Benjamin B. Antrim, a former resident of Danville, departed this life at his home in Scranton Sunday.

Mr. Antrim's death was sudden in its nature and the news, which reached this city shortly after noon yesterday, caused the greatest surprise. He was stricken with apoplexy on Friday. From the start there was no hope and he remained unconscious until the end came, at half past seven o'clock yesterday morning.

The deceased was fifty-three years of age and is survived by a wife and a son, Hiram. He was a son of the late Hiram Antrim of this city and was born and spent the greater part of his life in Danville. For a number of years he was in the mercantile business in this city, occupying with his brother, William, the north room now embraced by Murray's department store. About ten years ago he removed to Scranton where he held a responsible position with McGinn & Co., dry goods dealers.

The deceased was a man of genial manners, generous and obliging in disposition, who had hosts of friends not only in this city but also in Scranton where the latter years of his life were spent. Among the surviving relatives in the city are W. L. Antrim, an uncle, Mr. Will G. Brown, a cousin, and Horace B. Bennett and Charles and Conley Antrim, also cousins.

The remains of Benjamin B. Antrim, who died at Scranton Sunday, arrived at this city on the 12:44 D. L. & W. train yesterday and were taken directly to the Old Fellows' cemetery, where interment was made.

The remains were followed to the grave by a large number of people, among them being relatives and friends from this city in addition to the following persons from out of town: Mrs. Benjamin B. and Hiram Antrim, wife and son of the deceased, G. E. Carson and wife and Miss Isabel of Scranton; B. F. Antrim and Miss Elizabeth Antrim, of Pittston; W. H. Antrim and wife of Philadelphia; Miles Heigh, wife and son of Waverlytown; Mrs. Jacob Shuman and two daughters, of Sunbury; Miss Quin, of Muncy.

The pall bearers chosen for this city yesterday were: Dr. Jno. Sweisfort, D. R. Williams, J. B. Cleaver, and W. L. McCleure, Rev. George E. Limbert officiated.

The flowers were very beautiful and comprised a fine tribute from the clerks of the store in which the deceased held a position.

Funeral services were held in Scranton on Monday evening. Returning from Old Fellows' cemetery the relatives took dinner at Hotel Oliver after which they were entertained at the home of Will G. Brown, Brown Building, where during the afternoon they were called upon by friends residing in this city.

Water Commissioners Meet.

The Water Commissioners held a regular meeting Monday afternoon with H. L. Gross in the chair.

Charles H. Royce, Superintendent of Castle Grove Farms, met with the Board to discuss a proposition to install a water meter on the estate. The Water Commissioners claim that they have no knowledge of how much water is consumed at Castle Grove and that it would be no more than fair for both parties that a meter should be installed, especially as they have been using meters elsewhere in the Borough where much water is consumed.

Mr. Royce objected to a meter, as he held, it seemed only an attempt to get higher prices for water out of Mr. Bennett, while the rates paid at present are sufficient. He admitted that a good deal of water is used at Castle Grove for sprinkling and the like, but held that the quantity is far less than what is reported. He was positive, he said, that Mr. Bennett would not stand any increase in water rate.

An hour or more was spent in discussion, after which on motion it was decided that a two-inch meter be installed at Castle Grove at the Borough's expense and that if this proves inadequate a larger one may be installed at Mr. Bennett's expense.

A representative of the P. L. Brewery was present asking for a rebate of water rent, owing to a leakage in the pipe which drew a great deal of water from the Borough, which was not used by the Brewery.

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AS TO THE NEW RIVER BRIDGE

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It transpires that the opinion of the Attorney General of April 21st, which a few took to imply that the bridge at Danville would be put in the same category as that of Catawissa, was entirely misconstrued.

The Attorney General had been asked for an opinion deciding the question whether the wrecked bridges belonged to the State or to the counties upon whose petitions they were erected. In dealing with this class of bridges, erected by the State, the Attorney General made the ruling that the Commonwealth is not obliged to rebuild a bridge unless it is destroyed, which in his opinion meant total destruction.

In following out the subject the Attorney General informs the Superintendent of Public Grounds and Buildings, who had asked for the opinion, that it would obviously be unwise for him to commit any act in the way of reclaiming any material or wreck, inasmuch as that act might be interpreted to mean the assumption of an obligation to rebuild in cases where such liability does not clearly exist. The view is held that the material having been donated by the State to the county the title is now vested in the latter and that it would be difficult to see on what principle of law the Commonwealth could claim title to the material in revocation of its prior gift.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Fred C. Kirkendall of Wilkesbarre was a guest over Sunday at the home of George M. Gearhart, East Market street.

Claude Guest of Mahanoy City is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Guest, Front street.

Miss Mary Everett spent Sunday with friends in Bloomsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Jones spent Sunday with relatives in Bloomsburg.

Prof. Lewis Ammerman of Wilkesbarre, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Patterson Johnson, East Market street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bloch spent Sunday in Bloomsburg.

Harry Lyon of Pittsburg, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Elias Lyon, Ferry street.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Heim spent Sunday with relatives at Bloomsburg.

Walter Breckbill of Berwick, spent Sunday with his parents, East Danville.

Clock Factory Breaks Record.

Last week was a record breaker at the clock factory. The enlargement of the plant together with the installation of automatic machinery has resulted in a gratifying increase of product. Last week all previous efforts were outdone and one hundred and twenty of the self-winding clocks were turned out.

The entire building is now occupied. It presents a busy and interesting appearance and seems quite a factory, having already outgrown the limits of a small industry. Fifteen hands are employed. The clocks manufactured comprise sixteen different models, among them being office clocks, parlor, boudoir, dining room and kitchen clocks in addition to the large depot clock or regulator now nearly ready for the trade.

Two salesmen—A. F. Hitchler and S. S. Cohen—are out on the road and some idea of their success will be gathered from the fact that on the books of the company are three thousand orders unfilled. It is evident that the Rempe Manufacturing Company will have to enlarge its plant again in the near future.

The clock factory has not yet been in existence one year. The factory started up on July 1st, but no clocks were turned out until October 1st and then only in limited numbers to meet the demand for samples. It was not until the first of the year that clocks were turned out in considerable numbers.

The progress made has indeed been rapid and attests alike the popularity of the wonderful timepiece and the push and enterprise of those who have its manufacture in hand.

Boy Exploded Signal Cap.

Striking a signal cap with a hammer, Arthur, the eight-year-old son of Lewis Erdman, of Catawissa had his face frightfully mangled at his home Thursday.

It was while the lad's mother was washing her husband's blouse, the latter being employed as engineer on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, that she discovered the cap in the blouse. She placed it on the window sill, where the lad found it, and secreting it, took it to an outhouse where, procuring a hammer, he proceeded, with the natural inquisitive propensities of a child, to discover of what it was made.

The explosion was a terrific one, a hole being torn in his face twice the size of a dollar. A gash was inflicted in his neck and another in his ear. He suffered excruciating pain. Dr. Robbins was summoned and dressed the injuries.

The Curstone Market.

As things in connection with the trolley assume shape and the time for breaking ground approaches it is realized that the curstone market at least as a factor on Mill street has a decidedly short lease of life. To maintain the market on that thoroughfare while the trolley is in building would seem as impracticable as when the cars are running.

The matter of a new location has frequently been discussed by Council informally, but it has never yet come before that body for action. What provision will be made for the farmers will yet develop. It is safe to assume that this useful class of vendors will not be neglected, but that they will be assigned to some other location convenient alike to seller and buyer.

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THROWN FROM THE FERRY

The ferry boat as it plied southward over the river shortly after 4 o'clock Monday afternoon was the scene of a thrilling occurrence which consisted of a man being thrown over board into the deep water.

The victim of the mishap was Richard Hultihen, driver of one of the McCormick busses. The ferry was making poor time owing to difficulty of getting the flat boat into the shore on the South Danville side. Richard was trying to get to the station in time for the 4:31 Pennsylvania train west. He had in the bus two passengers, two trunks and the mail pouch. So much time was consumed in waiting for the ferry on this shore that to be on the safe side it was decided that the two passengers should take a launch, while Richard would take his chances in catching the train with the trunks and the mail.

The ferry arrived and in due time was on its way back over the river. Realizing that but a few minutes remained before the train was due Richard thought he would help things along and when the ferry arrived at a point opposite to the last pier he made ready to assist in lowering the fall board.

He placed his weight upon the long shaft supporting the fall board which is secured by an iron catch in the side of the boat, some eight or ten feet from the end. His weight not proving adequate to bear the beam downward, he called another gentleman to his assistance. Their combined weight proved sufficient to unlatch the beam and as they were still some seventy yards from shore the only thing for them to do, of course, was to keep their feet on the beam to the end that they might balance the fall board and keep it raised in position.

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The ferry was full of vehicles and it happened that only one man was in a position to see Richard as he took his remarkable header into the river. The water at that point is ten or twelve feet deep. Richard sank out of sight and by the time he rose to the surface