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CONDENSED NEWS.

Choose men of the highest ideals for school directors.
Berwick has found it necessary to pass a curfew law.
Andrew Russell is seriously ill at his home on Church street.
The Reading goosebome man has been enjoying a laugh all to himself.
Keep your sidewalk clean and receive the blessings of the community.
Be kind to the horses during the severe, cold, penetrating, windy weather.
Go to the primaries and exert your influence. Then be satisfied with the result.
Let the Legislature pass a bill for the publication of the laws and it will please the people.
Every ward has its best men—let these be put on the ticket for Council and the School Board.
Choose good, sensible, honest men for school directors; ditto for councilmen; ditto for all other offices.
Jack Frost will have to do some strong work before the ice harvesters will be able to resume business.
The close of the first week of the new year no doubt finds many of the new resolutions on the ash heap.
The time and place to "knock" is at the primaries, not after candidates distasteful to you have been chosen.
The weather man treats us to an occasional snow flurry just to prove that he continues to have snow in stock.
The legislature is having a 10-day recess and can't do much to excite criticism during that time, which is something to be thankful for.
The rumor that another Russian warship was blown up by a mine Saturday turns out to be untrue. It is hard to find another Russian warship.
The trouble is many people underestimate the importance of the School Board, and are inclined to nominate indifferent candidates.
It is a little premature to announce a failure of the ice crop. There's sufficient time between now and next March for plenty of the congealed liquid to fill all the houses in this section.
St. Louis is finding it exceedingly difficult to recover from the reaction caused by the close of the World's Fair.
To stop and start a train costs as much as to run it a mile. In store advertising frequent stops are still more expensive.
Cupid had his innings in Indiana county last year, if nowhere else in the State. Indiana issued more marriage licenses than ever before in its history and more than any other county in the state.
Hertelton, a Northampton county borough with 300 inhabitants, has eleven residents whose aggregate age is nearly 1000 years. Each is more than 80 years old, the oldest being 91 years.
A local wag who says he isn't afraid to die is responsible for this: "The ice is on the sidewalk. And the law is on the shelf. If you don't like to tread on ice, just clean it off yourself."
The government crop report is good, and private reports are better, to the effect that winter wheat is in better condition than a month ago, and averages well for the season. This has been a tender point in the outlook.
The most encouraging result to humanity of the Harvard Experts' Tom years' investigation of cancer is that it is not hereditary. This should prove a balm to many who live in constant dread of this horrible disease because some uncle or aunt or grandparent died of it. It would have been very more encouraging, however, if the investigations had held out hopes of discovery either of cause or cure.
John D. Rockefeller, the other day announced to a crowd of young men "I believe in the papers. Give them liberty and freedom of speech. I believe in liberty. The readers of the papers are intelligent and they soon sift truth from untruth." Considering the home truths Mr. Rockefeller has been hearing from the papers for the last twenty years, this is distinctly magnanimous.

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"THIS COUNTRY WILL NEVER BE ENTIRELY FREE UNTIL IT SUPPLIES ALL OF ITS OWN DEMANDS WITH ITS OWN PRODUCTIONS."
VOL. 50—NO 2. DANVILLE, PA., THURSDAY JANUARY 12, 1905. ESTABLISHED IN 1855

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETS

Borough Council met in regular session Friday night. President Davis being absent. Mr. Vastine was elected president pro tem. Eight members were present, Messrs. Vastine, Reifsnider, Swank, Fenstermaker, Deitrich, Boyer, Lloyd and Gosser. The Borough Treasurer reported \$3,236.80 in his hands.
Mr. Reifsnider, chairman of Streets and Bridges Committee, reported that street paving assessments had been laid on property owners along Mill street. All had been served and some of them had already paid their assessments. He said that he had expected some of the property owners who are objecting to paying for paving street connections, consisting of crossings, curbing, etc., present to hear read the Act of Assembly under which the petition praying for the said paving was drawn, so they could learn just what the Act sets forth. These people were not present, but the Act was read for the benefit of the members of Council. It is the Act of 1889, and provides that property owners must not only pay two-thirds of the costs of paving directly in front of their properties, but the street connections as well. Before signing the petition in question, some property owners along Mill street failed to acquaint themselves thoroughly with the Act of Assembly, overlooking entirely that portion referring to street connections. But as ignorance of the law is no excuse, these people will be obliged to pay the full amount of their assessments within thirty days from the time they received their notices, or it will be entered against their properties.
City Superintendent of public schools, U. L. Gordy, was present and called attention to the condition of the clock in the steeple of the Mahoning Presbyterian church, which he had been informed the Borough Council had charged of. It did not keep good time. It was either from 10 to 30 minutes too fast or that much too slow. Many pupils depended upon it. In consequence they either came to school too early and were compelled to stand out in the cold, or they came too late and disturbed the other pupils in their studies.
Mr. Vastine explained that the 5 years contract which the Borough had with Henry Kempe to keep the clock in repair expired last fall, and that Council now had nothing more to do with the clock than a private citizen. After considerable discussion, however, it was on motion of Mr. Reifsnider, decided to solicit bids to put the clock in good condition and guarantee it to keep good time for a period of 5 years.
The ordinance authorizing, requiring and permitting the owners of certain properties in the Borough to make proper connections with and to use all sewers constructed for the said Borough, providing for the method of making such connections, prescribing the manner of the use of such sewers and regulating the charges therefor, respectively, and for other purposes, was taken up and in sections, passed second reading.
Contractor B. J. Rogers presented revised bills for sidewalk repairs he made by order of Council, but as these bills seemed so much at variance with bills formerly presented, it was decided to have the matter investigated before a settlement is made.

Six Directors Will be Elected.

At the coming spring election six School Directors will be elected, one-half of the Board, the term of office of that number expiring with the close of the school year. The unusual number is occasioned by the filling of several vacancies.
The Directors whose terms expire are Dr. F. E. Harpel and Robert Adams, First Ward; William J. Burns, Second Ward; Jacob Fischer and George B. Jacobs, Third Ward, and W. O. Greene, Fourth Ward.
Robert Adams and George B. Jacobs are now filling vacancies, by appointment of the Board, caused by the removal of John L. Evans and D. H. Byerly from their respective wards.
The First Ward will elect one Director for the full term, and one for one year, and the Third Ward one for three years and one for two years, the other wards one each for the full term.

Viewers Appointed.

George W. West, engineer; John H. Brugler, Samuel Werkheiser, Dr. J. B. Switzer, B. J. Pegg and O. B. Switzer, the viewers appointed by the Court on Saturday to view and assess damages, if any, to the properties of Miss Frances Hartman, heirs of Jacob Shuster, David Unger, executor of Ella Conant estate and Joseph Spiering, as a result of the sidewalk being raised and lowered along Mill street when the paving was laid, were officially notified of their appointment yesterday by Sheriff Maier.
The report is made returnable on Monday, February 27, giving the viewers over six weeks in which to make the assessments.

Martha Washington Supper.

At a meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., held Monday evening, plans were made for holding a Martha Washington supper (not supper), on Washington's Birthday, Wednesday, February 22nd, from 5 to 7:30 o'clock. The time for the supper is made so as not to conflict with prayer meeting services.

"OLD DYNAMITE" AGAIN RUNS AMUKE

For the third time in the past month the horse belonging to Thomas Tooley, and popularly known as "Old Dynamite," ran away. The animal evidently believes in the charm that lies in certain numbers; for he made his first performance more thorough and exciting than any of his previous escapades. He got away from two drivers, narrowly missed running into a moving passenger train on the D. L. & W., and finally landed at Grovania.
Howard Russell, Mr. Tooley's driver, had been delivering groceries on Upper Mulberry street, and was returning to Mill street, when the horse took flight on account of the wagon striking his legs. The animal dashed down Spruce to Mill street, and then up Mill on a mad gallop to the Post Office where he was caught. At the First National Bank, Mr. Russell, seeing that he could do nothing with the horse, dropped out of the rear of the wagon.
The horse was turned around, and Willie Gross offered to drive the animal to the stable in the rear of the Hotel Oliver where he is kept. He had scarcely started when the wagon again struck the horse's legs, and off he started down the street, the wagon rolling from side to side and the horse striking fire at every jump. In front of the Lion building a horse and buggy were tied. The runaway struck the carriage but glanced off, breaking only several spokes in one of the wheels of the buggy.
When "Old Dynamite" started from the Post Office on his return trip, a passenger train was just passing the Mill street crossing. As the terrified animal dashed on toward the train, the people who crowded the streets held their breath and waited for the crash that seemed inevitable. Many thought that young Gross was still in the wagon, not having seen him drop from the rear end of the vehicle as the runaway passed the canal. But "Old Dynamite" was lucky. The last car passed the crossing and the gates raised just in time to allow him to dash by and avert a collision by the fraction of a second.
He turned up Bloom street and finally landed in Mr. Stone's barn at Grovania. Mr. Tooley took the next trolley after the runaway and recovered the horse at Grovania. The wagon was not damaged, and the horse escaped with the loss of a shoe.

Local Union Enjoy Banquet.

Brick layers, masons and plasterers Union, No. 81, enjoyed a fine banquet on Saturday evening, at D. B. Hedden's restaurant. Covers were laid for twenty-five. The tables were loaded with all the delicacies of the season. The decorations were beautiful carnations.
Several appropriate toasts were responded to. Reinhard brothers, brick layers, Bloomsburg, and J. C. Reedy, brick layer, Berwick, were guests and cracked some of their good natured jokes at the expense of the craft. They left on the 9:40 trolley car for their respective homes, well pleased with the hospitality shown them by the members of No. 81.
The members present were: George Boyer, President; John Delany, Vice President; E. C. Welliver, Secretary; John Albeck, Treasurer; William Moyer, Jr., Deputy; William Hooser, Nathaniel Everhard, Harrison Schmitt, Trustees; John Fischer, Jonathan Rody, Joseph Hahn, Peter Kelly, Jacob Elliot, Lamar Hahn, William Moyer, Sr., John Lyles, A. L. McLow, President Pennsylvania State Conference Board of Bricklayers and Masons; Harry Reinhard, John C. Reedy and Howard Reinhard, of No. 55, Berwick. The boys had two mascots present in the persons of Masters Art Beyers and John McCloy.

Money Coming in Promptly.

Notwithstanding the hesitancy of some of the property owners along Mill street, to pay their paving assessments, an account of certain items in the bills rendered not meeting with their approval, payments are being made promptly.
Each property holder was served with a notice on Wednesday, January 4, setting forth the amount of his or her assessments, since which the money has been dropping into the hands of city clerk Harry Patton right along. At present there seems to be no hesitation on the part of anyone about paying.

No Change in River.

The condition of the river yesterday was similar to what it has been for several days past. The water had fallen but slightly, but the ice flowed as thickly as ever. At intervals the flow slackened somewhat, but it was most heavy at any time to permit of the naphtha boat crossing with safety, consequently it only ventured across a few times in the morning and once in the afternoon.
The riveters were at work on the bridge and appeared to be making fairly good headway. It looks now as if the portion of the bridge up at the present time, will be fully completed, with the exception of the flooring, before the other spans can be put in position.

Frozen in the Ice.

The ferry boat is reported as being too tightly frozen in shore ice at Welliver, to be dug out until a thaw comes.

IT WAS A LONG SESSION

The School Board held a regular meeting Monday. It was long drawn out, and at times waxed warm. The following members were present: Harpel, Trombower, Adams, Haring, Parsel, Burns, Fischer, Werkheiser, Greene, Orth and Jacobs.
The Secretary reported that the bank of the Guarantee, Trust and Deposit Company, of Scranton, recommending the endorsement of J. C. Hooser for a \$5000.00 bond, had been filled out and sent forward.
The Treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$3,520.17.
Mr. Fischer, Chairman of the Building and Repairs Committee, reported that the black boards have been removed from the chemical laboratory in the High School, and placed in the second school of the Fourth Ward. He also stated that a bursted water pipe in the Welsh Hill school building had been repaired, and that he had discovered that the same had been due to a broken window in the cellar.
A request was read from J. M. Hostetter, Phoenixville, Pa., that the officers of the Board sign a duplicate application for a permanent college certificate.
The Superintendent's report showed 1239 pupils in attendance during the month; average attendance 94 per cent; 87 cases of sickness.
The resignation of Mr. Adams as a member of the Grievance Committee was read. It was moved that the resignation be accepted, but the motion was lost by nearly a unanimous vote. Mr. Adams, however, declared his intention of not continuing to serve on the Committee. Then followed a long airing of the question of corporal punishment in the public schools. The debate continued for over an hour, during which heated arguments ensued. A wrong impression had been given out, many people having an idea that the School Board is not in sympathy with the teachers in the matter of punishing pupils. The Board will stand by the teachers, and give them all the aid and support it can.
The long discussion of corporal punishment in the schools was finally brought to a close by a motion being carried, that Superintendent Gordy prepare and have published in the Morning News, an article contradicting the impression that has gone out.
The following bills were ordered paid:

Fred K. Miller & Co.	\$ 3.90
S. J. Welliver	2.25
Danville Stove & Mfg. Co.	.75
Standard Gas Co.	3.05
W. H. Orth	1.56
Samuel Trombower	23.87
Joseph Lechner	8.73

The Secretary was authorized to draw an order in favor of the Danville Stove Company for furnaces put in the Second Ward building.

Danville Defeated.

The fastest and probably the most exciting basketball game of the season was played last evening at the Armory between the Danville team and the Burlington team of the Susquehanna League. It was a fine exhibition of nerve and brain from start to finish, and it was not until the referee's whistle called time in the last half that either side had more than the slightest advantage.
The final score of 21-19 in favor of Burlington is a good indication of the strength of the two teams.
The visitors played a very pretty passing game. Danville, on the other hand did not pass the ball well, but often tried to take it down the floor by dribbling or other means.
The game was very close throughout, there being frequent ties in the score. At the end of the first half neither team had the advantage with the score at 10-10.
Applegate, the visiting center, played a fine game. Barry played an excellent defense game for Danville. The line up:

Burlington	Barber	forward	Van Housen		
Welliver	forward	Montgomery	Sechler	center	Applegate
Barry	guard	Lutcher	Dougherty	guard	Pardoe
Peters	guard	Pardoe	Goals from the field—Applegate 6, Montgomery 2, Van Housen 1, Lutcher 1, Barber 4, Dougherty 2, Welliver 1, Sechler 1. Goals from fouls—Barber 3, Applegate 1.		

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Howard Lunger, of Berwick, spent Sunday with his parents in this city.
William Leister, of Berwick, spent Sunday with his family, in the Brown building.
Raymond Hummer, of Bloomsburg, was the guest of relatives in this city yesterday.
Thomas Ziel, of Harrisburg, was the guest of Jesse Wyatt yesterday.
Mrs. Ellen C. Brans, of New York City, is visiting at the home of Thomas Reifsnider, Church street.
J. M. Shultz, of Limestoneville, was a Danville visitor yesterday.
W. Graver Lentz, of Shamokin, transacted business in this city yesterday.
J. W. Berninger will leave today for a visit in Sunbury.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Laumaster, Mrs. Joseph H. Johnson and W. V. Oglesby spent last evening at Washingtonville.
Amanda L. Heddens, of Washingtonville, spent yesterday in this city.
H. Cotner, of Washingtonville, made a business trip to this city yesterday.
Frank Russell returned yesterday from a visit with friends in Scranton.
Miss Mary Eogenrief will return to Millinburg today after a visit with Mrs. Emma Gearhart.
Miss Olive Thompson is visiting friends at Mechanicsburg.
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murray left yesterday for a trip to Carbondale.
Miss Sara Beaver returned yesterday after a visit at the home of Mrs. Russell Kelly, Sunbury.
County Superintendent Charles W. Derr, of Washingtonville, spent yesterday in this city.
Johnny Moyer, of Hazleton, was in Danville yesterday.
Mrs. E. D. Mauley, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. John R. McCoy, West Market street.
Wm. Dreffuss made a business trip to Catawissa yesterday.
H. E. Lucas and S. E. Bennett, of Williamsport, were in town last night.
Miss Mary Snyder, of Strawberry Ridge, is the guest of Mrs. Henry Klase, Water street.
Miss Irene Saltzman, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever, is much improved.

Stove Works to be Enlarged.

The year 1904 at the Danville Stove and Manufacturing Company's plant was the busiest and most prosperous year ever experienced by that industry. The "Beaver" stoves are sold in every part of the world, and last year the demand was so great that the company was unable to fill a number of its orders.
At the present time the plant is turning out 11 sizes of furnaces, and 30 different lines of stoves in over 200 different styles and sizes. The latest production of the pattern shop is the Imperial Beaver Range, which was put on the market last year. This stove is a plain range with Colonial finish, "lift-off" nickel work, and has several distinctive features that place it above the ordinary range.
In view of the fact that the company has for some time past been unable to supply the constantly increasing demand for the products of its plant, it has been found necessary to increase the capacity by enlarging the factory in all departments and by installing additional machinery.
The building operations will be commenced as soon as the weather conditions will permit. The mounting room, where the stove parts are assembled, is to be made into a two story building, in order to make room for more moulders. An extension of 72x60 feet will be built to the foundry. There are at present 74 moulders employed in the foundry; the extension will accommodate 26 more moulders. Additional machinery will be installed in the cleaning room, and the nickeling department enlarged. With these increased facilities the plant will have a capacity of 125 finished stoves a day.
During last week a partial shut down was made necessary while the annual account of stock was taken. The plant is now running full time. The employees number at present 135.

"The Moonshiner's Daughter."

"The Moonshiner's Daughter" will be the attraction at the Opera House on Saturday evening. From the excellent satisfaction which the play has been giving elsewhere it surely must not alone be a thoroughly enjoyable production but a positive meritorious melodrama from every standpoint. The play is a charming love story set in an atmosphere of the hills of Kentucky and Tennessee.
It deals with the lives of those sturdy specimens of mankind for whom the Government has officers constantly on the lookout—the Moonshiners. There is a very realistic encounter between the Moonshiners and revenue men in which the latter try to destroy the still and capture the owners. The mysterious lynching of the Negro Sam, are all vividly and startlingly portrayed. The comely element fairly bubbles over with merriment of the good wholesome kind.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Board of trustees of the State Hospital will be held today.

A SAD CASE OF DESTITUTION

Caroline Fillingier was committed to the county jail by Justice of the Peace Oglesby Tuesday at noon, charged with having concealed the remains of her recently born dead baby. The latter was found earlier in the day, under the floor of an outbuilding, covered with coal ashes and badly frozen. The girl confessed to having placed the child there, and said it had been born dead on Tuesday, January 2.
Information was lodged against the mother by Chief-of-Police Mincomyore. She was placed under arrest and taken before Squire Oglesby, where the body of the male babe was produced in evidence at the hearing.
Owing to the defendant's serious mental condition, the authorities will not push the charge against her, but will take the necessary steps to have her sent to an institution where she will receive proper treatment and attention. That is not what she has had this winter, and, evidently, for a much longer period.
The little shanty in which she lived, or rather existed, with a nephew, Charles Fillingier, a young man about 20 or 25 years of age, is located on the high hill, near the intersection of Spring street and Columbia avenue. The dimensions of the shanty are about 6x8 feet, and 10 feet high. It is built of thin boards, and the cracks between them are covered with plastering laths. Standing so exposed and being fairly thrown together, it looks as though an ordinary wind storm would topple it over the steep embankment into the street, 16 or 20 feet below. Admittance is gained through a passage-way, so narrow that a small person is obliged to crowd himself through sideways. The interior is almost devoid of furniture. A small cooking stove, one chair and a short lounge is all the single little room contains. Even these few articles so crowd the small apartment, as to make it difficult for more than three or four persons to get into the room at one time. Yet, these two people, thinly clad, having only a little fuel to burn and scarcely any thing to eat, have subsisted during the present severe winter.
When the unfortunate girl who is now in jail, was found in the situation she was on Monday her condition was deplorable. There was scarcely any food in the shanty and the little excitement on Mill street, in front of Smith's jewelry store, at about 2:45 o'clock, yesterday afternoon.

Excitement on Mill Street

A horse attached to a wagon caused no little excitement on Mill street, in front of Smith's jewelry store, at about 2:45 o'clock, yesterday afternoon.
The animal was being driven up street by Hiram Stetler at a leisurely gait.
A spirited horse drawing a buggy and making considerable noise, came up behind at a rapid pace. The latter jumped to the east side of the street at the sight of the mail wagon, then broke into a gallop. Its movements and the clatter of the buggy wheels on the icy brick pavement, startled Mr. Stetler's horse, causing it to kick up with both hind feet. One foot became fastened behind the cross piece of the shafts. After making a few tremendous plunges in a vain effort to extricate itself from the trap, the horse coolly squatted down on the shafts and made no further effort to assist itself.
The harness was quickly unfastened, and an effort made by a number of men who had gone to Mr. Stetler's aid, to push the wagon away from the horse with the hope of releasing the imprisoned hoof. The attempt was a failure, because of the weight of the horse on the shafts and the peculiar manner in which the foot was wedged behind the cross bar. The harder the men pushed upon the wagon, the harder the horse bore down upon its frail support.
Then another plan was adopted. The men laid hold of the horse and tried to raise it to an upright position, with a view of relieving the shafts of its weight and then draw the hoof out of the trap by hand; or, in case that it could not be accomplished in that manner, to try the pushing act again. Both failed. Then the horse fell to the pavement and broke a shaft. Affected that it was an easy matter to release the foot and get the horse on its feet again.
With the exception of being a little stiff in the leg for awhile after being set free, the horse was uninjured. Before the horse was released a vast crowd of people had gathered around the mail wagon, and were interested spectators of what was taking place.

Company Drills Twice a Week.

The following order, which is of the greatest importance to members of Company F has been issued by Captain Gearhart:
Armory of Co. F, 12th Reg't N. G. P., Danville, Pa., January 10, 1905.
Company Order No. 8.
The Spring Inspection being held in a short time makes it imperative that this Company must drill every Tuesday and Thursday evening until inspection. Failure to comply with this order will be cause for charges being preferred. There is much to learn in the recent changes in the Drill Regulations and only constant attendance will keep up the standard of the Company. By order of
J. BEAVER GEARHART,
Capt. Comd'g.

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BENEFIT OF THE LIBRARY

It is often the case that when a community is the possessor of some institution that is of great benefit to persons in all walks of life, a full appreciation of the benefits derived is lost sight of after a while and the interest, which may at first have been intense, gradually lessens, and perhaps altogether ceases to exist.
There is in Danville, however, an institution—the Thomas Beaver Free Library—that from the time of its establishment has been fully appreciated, and is arousing greater interest each year of its existence.
The benefits of our Library can hardly be reckoned, so great and far-reaching are the results of the learning, broad-mindedness and innocent amusement derived therefrom. The shelves contain 12,172 books, comprising treatises upon almost every known subject. State and National reports and pamphlets, of which there are great numbers, are not counted in the above total. A glance at the circulation report for the year 1904 will show the enormous amount of reading that is due to the institution.
Fiction 22,504
Journals 5,501
Philosophy 57
Theology 162
Language 10
Science 197
Sociology 552
Useful Arts 144
Fine Arts 221
Literature 637
History 570
Biography 424
Poetry 283
Periodicals 360
Travel 609
Total Circulation 31,770
Daily Average 105
There are 5051 persons who hold circulation cards, there having been 230 cards issued in 1904. Fines for overdue books, amount to last year to \$73.64, the fine being 2 cents for each day overdue.
The reading rooms also receive a large share of attendance, many taking advantage of this means of becoming acquainted with the events of the day through the newspapers, or of reading the periodicals.

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