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CONDENSED NEWS.

Chestnut parties are in season.
Game bags are not overflowing.

Now the North wind gets in its
work.

The county candidates are on the
jump.

Potatoes are selling for 35 cents a
bushel in some parts of Lycoming
county.

The insurance rate is going in deeper
all the time.

When President Roosevelt returns
from this trip he will have visited every
state in the Union, and New
Jersey, during his term as president.

Obeys the law and the law will not
molest you.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Ashton, Jr.,
gave a sauer kraut supper Saturday
evening to a number of their friends
at their home on Cedar street.

The state is raising walnut trees on
its reservations in Clinton county.
This is an example which individual
land owners might follow with profit
to themselves.

It's pretty hard to make the average
citizen think of anything but the
condition of his coal bin these days.

Many of the farmers in this county
do not feel like asking for forgiveness
for those who trespass against them.

Just a hint that we are on the border-
land of winter.

There is no activity in political circles.
Neither party is expected to hold
mass meetings.

With plenty of good men to choose
from the intelligent independent voter
should have no trouble making up
a ticket to his liking at the coming
election.

The new river bridge at Berwick is
beginning to lift its piers above the
water. The improvements will be
welcomed by thousands.

And now the ice man is searching the
almanac for hard freezing dates.

The local paper is an absolute necessity
in every household.

Thanksgiving proclamations are
about due.

Pupils in the schools are anticipating
the vacation of Institute week.

High winds and a cold wave will
mean more coal burning.

Poor finding never discourages the
trawler. It's the exhilaration of the
sport which makes him delight to
spend a day in the woods.

When they are compelled to "whack
up" some of their ill-gotten dollars
for fines the violators of the cigarette
law will wish they hadn't.

The Reading Railway Company has
decided to equip a portion of the
Shamokin division with Hall signals.
The cost will about \$40,000.

Some of the candidates are better
qualified than others. Choose the best
when you mark your ballot.

Repair your sidewalk before the
cold weather sets in. The Borough
has no money to spare to pay damages
to persons who may be injured because
of defective sidewalks.

Philadelphia gave the Athletics an
ovation by fitting their achievements
during the past summer.

Make Your Grocer
Give You Guaranteed

Cream of Tartar

Baking Powder

Alum Baking Pow-
ders interfere with
digestion and are un-
healthy.

Avoid the alum.

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COUNCILMAN TEND-
ERS RESIGNATION

A. M. Dietrich, member of Council from the Third Ward, Friday tendered his resignation, which was accepted and Joseph Law, of Homestead street was elected his successor.

Mr. Dietrich presented a letter of resignation, which read as follows: "Parham, Pa., Oct. 16, 1905. Joseph Gibson,

President of Council. Dear Sir:—I hereby tender my resignation as member of Council for reasons which I suppose you are all aware of.

I wish you success in all the doings of Council and hope that your body will continue to carry out the idea of public improvements, placing old Danville on an equal footing with her neighboring towns.

On motion Mr. Dietrich's resignation was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Jacobs, Joseph Law was nominated to complete the unexpired term of Mr. Dietrich. Mr. Gosser seconded the motion. Mr. Law was unanimously elected.

Last night was the date selected for taking important action on street paving on East Market street. Representatives of several contracting firms were present with bids and with samples of brick to be used in paving.

A petition against paving East Market street was presented to Council signed by the following: E. T. Linnard, W. L. Sidler, F. C. Derr, H. M. Schuch, Mrs. Julia Bowyer, Hattie E. Stumington, R. M. Catburt, C. E. Gearhart, C. A. Brandon, Mrs. John W. Sheriff, Mary J. Deen, Emma E. Yorgy, Mrs. Jane Houz, Mrs. Margaret Bld, Mary H. Johnson, L. H. Conzart, H. M. Trambower, F. H. Owen, Mrs. C. A. Roney, Kate L. Twist, Mrs. Margaret Koehner, Mrs. John Mowter, Charles Leikow, Mrs. Joseph H. Barry, R. H. Foust, Samuel Johnston, Mrs. Emma Hill, George A. Myers, Benjamin J. Cook, H. Judson Still, Mrs. Annie M. Hines, D. M. Shultz, Jane M. Carr.

The petitioners urge that "paving of East Market street would incur an expense too burdensome for many of the owners of properties fronting or abutting on said street. Also that the paving of said street would necessitate the destruction of the shade trees and that on account of the lack of proper sewerage the pavement would be unclean and unhealthful."

There was some discussion as to what weight or influence the remonstrance should have in the premises. It was urged that a large proportion of the signers do not own property on the section to be paved, a number residing near the upper end of East Market street. A few of the signers were also on the first petition in favor of paving. The required number of petitioners needed to secure the pavement, it was urged, had been secured and it seemed to be the sense of the majority that the stage had passed when opposition could be considered. The question to be determined was whether the pavement could be put down at two dollars per lineal foot, which was the limit agreed upon by the petitioners. The opening of the proposals, therefore, was awaited with considerable interest.

Bids for paving East Market street from the Eastern line of Ferry street to the Eastern line of Church street in accordance with the specifications were on hand from four different firms.

The Guise Brick and Stone Company agree to pave with Guise blocks at \$1.25 per square yard; to furnish and set curbing at 65 cents per lineal foot; to rest curbing at 15 cents per lineal foot.

D. J. Rogers presented a bid as follows: Mack Shale Reppert Brick, Hamburg or Pinegrove, for one dollar and fifty-nine cents per square yard; Montello Red Iron Shale Reppert block for one dollar and sixty-nine cents per square yard; Shawmut Reppert Shale Block for one dollar and seventy cents per square yard; Guise Shale Block for one dollar and sixty-two cents per square yard; fire clay block, one dollar and twenty-one cents per square yard; Ohio blue stone curbing at sixty cents per lineal foot; Pennsylvania blue stone curbing at seventy cents per lineal foot; circular angular corner stone, eight dollars each; straight angle corner stone same as curb.

The General Contract and Construction Company of Scranton proposed to pave with vitrified brick as per specifications for the sum of one dollar and fifty-nine cents per square yard; curbing seventy-five cents per lineal foot.

The Danville Construction Company agree to pave according to specifications with Guise Shale Blocks at one dollar and sixty-four cents per square yard; Montello Shale Blocks, one dollar and seventy-two cents; Mack Shale Reppert Blocks, Hamburg, for one dollar and sixty-two cents; Ohio blue stone curbing, sixty-two cents per lineal foot; Wyoming blue stone curbing, seventy-two cents per lineal foot.

On motion it was decided to let the awarding of contract in the hands of the Committee on Streets and Bridges, they to make report later. It seemed to be the sense of Council that paving under the circumstances is perfectly feasible and that the work can be finished before winter sets in.

On motion it was decided that the Borough extend the sewer on West Mahoning street so as to take in the

ROBERT MAY
LOSES A FOOT

The railroads which traverse this city have claimed another victim in the person of Robert May, of No. 295 Chambers street, who will go through life minus his right foot, even if he survives the dreadful shock.

The accident occurred about 7 o'clock Sunday morning on the P. & R. Railway as a southbound freight train was approaching the station. A short distance east of Bloom street crossing the pusher following the train came upon May lying along side the track. He had been run over, his right foot being crushed to a pulp at the ankle. Bleeding profusely the man was picked up, placed upon the pusher and taken to the P. & R. station where Dr. P. C. Newbaker was summoned, who in turn called upon Dr. E. A. Carry for assistance.

In addition to the foot the flesh of the leg below the knee was badly lacerated. There was not the remotest prospect of saving the foot and the only question was when and where the member should be amputated. The station seemed to offer poor accommodations for such an operation and the physicians did not favor the idea of taking the man to his own home. Bloomburg was called upon and arrangements were made to admit the injured man to the Joseph Ratti hospital at that place. The two physicians dressed the injury, bandaging it so as to stop the flow of blood, after which May was carried down to the overhead crossing on Walnut street where he was placed on the 9 o'clock car of the Danville and Bloomburg Street Railway and accompanied by his wife and a neighbor of the family was taken to the Bloomburg hospital.

Advices from the Ratti Hospital last evening stated that the amputation had been successfully performed by the Hospital Staff, the leg being taken off a short distance below the knee. The man then was suffering very severely from the shock.

The injured man at no time was in a condition to tell how the accident occurred and whether he attempted to board the passing train and fell or got under the cars in some other way is not known at present.

May is about forty-five years old and has a wife and several children. A few years ago he was prominent as a member of the Salvation Army. For many years past he has been employed in running the buggy in the Reading Iron Works.

Thus another warning goes on record against the abominable practice of taking risks about the cars. This is the earning capacity of another wage-earner destroyed and a large and dependent family left without resources. It is a sad case, but it is feared that a similar accident in a short time will show how few there are to heed the warning.

Vote for Ralph Kiser for District Attorney.

Funeral of Mrs. Reppert.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Reppert was laid to rest in Mt. Vernon cemetery Monday afternoon. The funeral took place from Mahoning Presbyterian church and was largely attended.

The deceased had selected her own pall bearers—her four sons, Howard, John, Charles, and Dallas Reppert, her son-in-law, Emery Heimbach and her nephew, Walter Rake. She had also selected the text to be used and the hymn to be sung. At her request the choir of the Mahoning Presbyterian Church was present and rendered a selection at the grave.

The services were conducted by Rev. J. E. Hatchison, pastor of the church, assisted by Mr. Laumaster, who was present at the request of the deceased.

The flowers were very beautiful and numerous comprising a large wreath from the employes of Charles Reppert, Peterson, N. J.; a pillow from the sons inscribed with the word "Mother"; two pieces from Mrs. Kramer's Sunday School class, to which the deceased belonged and offerings from Mrs. Nellie Carlin of Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard, Mrs. Hattie Diehl, Mrs. L. Sleppy, Mrs. Minnie Middleton and Mrs. William Reed.

The following persons from out of town attended the funeral: Mrs. Margaret Pritchard and son David, of Plymouth; Mrs. Hattie Diehl and sons Edward and Walter Rake, of Berwick; Mrs. Annie Sleppy, of Northumberland and Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich, of near Washingtonville.

Messrs. Cook and Sechler are the friends of the taxpayers. Is there any stronger reason why they should be elected.

Will Reorganize Sunday School.

Mr. Howard Griffith, of Bucknell University, Lewisburg, and a representative of State Sabbath School work will give a talk on Sabbath School work at Immanuel Baptist church, Walnut street, Sunday, October 29th, at 10:30 a. m. After the address the Sunday School will be reorganized. All members and friends of the school are urged to be present.

Court Changed.

Due to the meeting of the Grangers in Sunbury, Judge Savidge has ordered that the December term of Civil Court be postponed from Monday the eleventh until Monday, December eighteenth.

TEAMS PLAY
A TIE GAME

The Danville High School football team met the Bloomburg High School team on Normal field at Bloomburg on Saturday afternoon and after a contest of 35 minutes the score stood Bloomburg 0, Danville 0, and while the ball was almost continuously in Bloomburg territory, our boys were unable to get it over the line. The boys are beginning to show greatly improved form as a result of constant and careful training under Prof. Taylor, and the game on Saturday showed that the High School team is a strong lot of players who compare favorably with teams of the same class throughout this section. The team felt confident of winning Saturday's game and while they failed in this they prevented their opponents from winning which is next thing to a victory.

The 1:40 car on the Danville and Bloomburg trolley line carried the team, and a large crowd of students to the scene of battle. The ladies were gaily attired and wore large bunches of the Danville colors, orange and purple, and their presence seemed to inspire a confidence and determination on the part of the players, to win.

The game was started promptly at 3:30, Bloomburg kicking off, and Sechler catching the ball made a 15 yard run before Bloomburg could down him, after which by continuous line playing, Danville made several 5 or 10 yard gains. Taylor, Dreifuss and Spade, proved themselves excellent gainers.

Bloomburg seemed to brace up at this time, and held Danville for two downs, and as Danville was unable to "kick, on account of the wind," she gained the necessary ground by a fake play, Danville continued to buck the line until within twenty yards of Bloomburg's line, when the ball was lost on a fumble. Bloomburg then attempted to punt and failed, and a kick which quickly followed was blocked by Dreifuss. Bloomburg recovered the ball but was unable to make any material gains before time before Bloomburg gained many yards Danville tackled and held them.

The second half was a series of rushes and plunges and it was impossible for either side to make journals on the other and the game ended without either side being able to score.

The line up:
Danville. Positions. Bloomburg.
Williams, left end, Grilton
Swank, left tackle, Goides
Armes, left guard, Buck
Sherwood, center, Masteller
Ryer, right guard, McKelvey
Sechler, right tackle, Brookings
Homer, left end, Edwards
Morris, quarter back, Hagenbuch
Spade, left half back, Hemmingway
Dreifuss, right half back, Rinker
Taylor, full back, Salzer
Homer, Little, Empire, McCoy,
Timers, Price, Danville; Dawn, Bloomburg,
Linsens, Davis, Danville;
Walters, Bloomburg. Time of halves,
27 and 27 minutes.

Affairs at the County Farm.

John Hartline, Steward at the almshouse was in this city yesterday. He reports the crops as exceptionally fine at the County farm and everything as moving along nicely.

In addition to good land the county farm possesses commodious and well appointed buildings that afford to the inmates more of the comforts and conveniences of life than are at all times enjoyed by persons outside the institution. With a thoughtful and kind-hearted Steward and Stewardess the county charges evidently have not a hard time of it.

At present there are only thirteen inmates at the poor house. During the summer season the number is always small, as many of the old fellows who wrestle with old jobs about the institution and allured by the delightful weather pull out and lead a wayfaring life. This is the season of the year, however, when they may be relied upon to return. One of the old veterans after being out all summer returned to the county home last week and before he was fit to resume life at the poor house it was necessary to roll him into the bath tub and give him a vigorous scrubbing. Others who find contact with the cold world especially chilling at this season are on their way home cheered by visions of a warm bed and warm and regular meals three times a day.

The professional hobo is a factor to reckon with in managing affairs about an almshouse. They are an ingenious and resourceful lot and it is nothing about of amusing to hear described the schemes and artifices that the crafty old hobo resorts to in order to beat the institution out of food and lodging without rendering a return in labor. It doesn't take a steward long to become acquainted with the professional tramp and his methods and the latter no matter how resourceful seldom gets anything for nothing. At the almshouse it is the inflexible rule that the hobo who would feast at the expense of the county even though it be for one meal must pay the price by "taking a whiff" on the county wash pile.

Whether the times be propitious or otherwise, the authorities state, makes but little difference at the county home. The unfortunate, the improvident—the poor we have always with us—and while the amount of outside relief may vary the number registered at the almshouse this year is about what it was last year and years previously.

PERSONAL
PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jacobs, son and daughter, of Bloomburg, spent Sunday at the home of Emerson Spade, Church street.

Mrs. W. E. Heller and daughter Mildred returned Saturday from a visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kramer, of Wilkes-Barre, are visiting relatives in this city.

Joseph Miller, of Baltimore, is visiting his brother, E. S. Miller, Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Eggleston, of Scranton, spent Sunday at the home of Frank Burger, Nassau street.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Voris and Mr. and Mrs. W. Fred Jacobs, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Voris at Pottsgrove.

Mrs. George Gearhart and Mrs. Grant Michael, of Nesquehoning, and Miss Lizzie Michael, of Berwick, are visiting Mrs. Lewis Herman, Grand street.

George Steinbroner, of Wilkes-Barre, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Annie Stienbroner, Front street.

C. M. Evans, of Millville, spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. George Koons, of Hughesville, is the guest of L. G. Litt, E. Ash street.

Mrs. George Jeff, of Sunbury, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Mrs. Harry Fultz and Mrs. Charles Peifer who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Aten on Front street returned to their homes at Shamokin yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Neal, of Williamsport, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Neal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kneibler, Vine street.

Mr. and Mrs. Alby Snyder and grandson Raymond Mottern left yesterday for Shamokin to attend a wedding.

A. C. Savidge, of Sunbury, transacted business in this city yesterday.

E. W. Reese, of Hazleton, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

H. C. Emerick, of Sunbury, was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Reppert, of Pittsburg, who were called to this city on account of the death of Mr. Reppert's mother, will return home today.

Dr. Jonathan Swisfort, left last evening for Williamsport, where he will attend the meeting of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church.

John Bachinger, of Plymouth, is visiting his parents in this city.

Ambrose Cronis, of Limestone township, was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ammerman, of Philadelphia, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ammerman, South Danville.

George D. Crocker, Esq., representing the Pennsylvania railroad, transacted business in this city yesterday.

Mrs. William McClure, of Columbia, is visiting at the home of Mrs. D. M. Boyd, Bloom street.

Bruce Kelly, of Washingtonville, was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Frank Martz, of Derry township, was a visitor at the Court House yesterday.

SCHOOL BOARD
IN SESSION

The School Board Monday had a knotty problem before it in trying to fill the two vacancies, among the schools which have come into existence during the past week. In the Principalship of the Third Ward the matter was soon disposed of by selecting a substitute, but in the case of the vacancy in the primary department caused by the resignation of Miss Gregory there was a division as to whether the pupil teachers should be given a trial in that position or whether a new teacher, experienced in the grade should be elected. A series of promotions that would afford places for the pupil teachers where less experience is required also found some favor.

The resignation of Miss Gregory as primary teacher of the Fourth Ward was read by Dr. Harpel, of the Committee on Teachers and Certificates. In discussing the question of a successor Superintendent Gordy was called on who spoke quite flatteringly of the work done by the two pupil teachers but at the same time emphasizing the importance of the work to be done in the primary school and urging that safe talent be employed.

There seemed to be no prospect of the Board getting together on the subject and considering that the school was in safe hands after a long and fruitless discussion on motion it was decided to let the matter lie over until next Monday night, when the School Board will meet in special session and to settle the matter by the election of a teacher.

Dr. Harpel of the Committee on Teachers and Certificates read a communication from Professor J. H. Shaw, who for a week past has been ill of diphtheria, in which he recommended Mr. Fritz, a student at Bucknell University, as a substitute for himself as Principal of the Third Ward schools. Professor Shaw's judgment in the matter was relied upon and on motion of Mr. Wertheimer it was decided to offer the position to Mr. Fritz, pending Professor Shaw's full recovery.

Superintendent Gordy asked that a number of blanks be printed known as "Outline in Reading," which is an idea original with himself calculated to promote thoroughness in reading. The Board seemed to think that the "Outline in Reading" was a very good thing and on motion of Mr. Purcell the number of blanks requested were ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Orth it was ordered that additional constitution and by-laws of the Lincoln and Garfield Societies be printed.

On motion it was decided that the use of the High School room Thursday evening of each week be granted to the German Verein for practice of German.

The following members were present: Adams, Orth, Burns, Haring, Wertheimer, Purcell, Trambower, Fischel, Von Holm and Heiss.

The following bills were ordered for payment:
Teachers and Janitors \$170.00
D. K. Pensyl 3.72
Morning News 3.40
D. C. Heath & Co. 1.31
William Miller 4.50
D. C. Miller 2.95
D. Appleton & Co. 1.32

Vote for J. H. Woodside for County Auditor.

Entertained at Blue Springs.

A company of ladies and gentlemen drove out from Danville to Blue Springs farm yesterday where they were entertained by Miss Sara E. DeLong. After dinner the party withdrew to the club house where a clam bake and a dance was held. The following persons were present:

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Trexler, Charles W. Clement, of Sunbury; Mr. and Mrs. John Dorris, of Huntingdon; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rhodes, of Nanticoke; Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Woolley, Miss Kate G. Rea, Miss Mary Yorks, Dr. J. Bayer Gearhart and Theodore R. Angle.

The party spent the night at Blue Springs farm and will return to Danville today.

Death of Colonel Taggart.

News reached this city yesterday of the sudden death of Colonel G. I. Taggart, which occurred at Savannah, Ga., on Tuesday. The deceased was born at Northumberland and the funeral will be held at that place on Tuesday.

Col. Taggart, who was the father of Mrs. George Painter, of Muncy, was well-known in Danville, and frequently visited among old friends here. Less than a month ago he was in Danville and was domiciled very pleasantly at the Montour House. The news of his death came as a great surprise to our townsmen.

Col. Taggart had a fine military record and was a member of General Grant's staff during the war. He had been in declining health for some time. He holds interest in real estate in this city.

Big Crop of Corn.

Anthony Weitzel, of Valley township, who is husking the largest crop of corn ever raised on his farm, reports a yield of 162 bushels from one acre, and is anxious to hear from other farmers in this section, as he is of the opinion that this record cannot be surpassed.

THE FIFTIETH
ANNIVERSARY

Rev. Dr. McCormack and incidentally the congregation of the Grove Presbyterian church are busy this week perfecting arrangements for the anniversary exercises, which will mark the expiration of fifty years following the organization of that congregation.

Anniversary exercises will be held on two days—Sunday and Tuesday. All the former pastors with the exception of Rev. Simonton have been located and heard from. They will either be present in person or will send letters. Every effort has been made to locate Rev. Simonton but without avail, which is a matter of much regret.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wallez who are the only two of the original members among our townsmen that survive will be central figures among the congregation.

On Sunday morning the pulpit will be occupied by Rev. R. H. Van Pelt, of Edinboro, the Presbyterian of Erie, former pastor, who had charge of the handsome house of worship was built. Mr. Van Pelt arrived in this city last Saturday and occupied the pulpit at the Grove church on Sunday. He is spending the intervening week very pleasantly among old friends and former parishioners.

Sunday night Rev. Dr. McCormack, pastor of Grove Church, will preach the Historical Sermon.

On Tuesday night the services will be of special interest. Among the former pastors who will speak will be Rev. Dr. E. C. Armstrong, and Rev. R. H. Van Pelt.

Rev. J. E. Hatchison will represent the sister Presbyterian Church. The Ministerial Association of Danville will be represented by Rev. M. L. Shindel, D. D., and the Northumberland Presbytery by Rev. Dr. Hemmingway of Bloomburg.

The addresses Tuesday evening will be followed by a reunion, when refreshments will be served in the chapel.

Entrust the business management of this county to the hands of Charles W. Cook and Geo. Rudy Sechler. They can be depended on at all times.

Mad Struggle with Highwman

Writers of melo-dramas, who have long since made good use of the thrilling climax in which the hero and the villain engaged in a desperate death struggle on a high bridge and drop into the rushing waters beneath, were outdone in real life early yesterday morning, in an affair that took place between Sunbury and Northumberland. Edward Stringer of the latter place, had just such an experience, narrowly escaping with his life.

Stringer resides on Queen street, Northumberland, and is employed as a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad. His crew, from the Altoona out, was yesterday morning.

Leaving home at about three o'clock with his lantern and basket, he started to walk to Sunbury. When he had reached the second pier of the first bridge he was stopped by a burly, rough-looking individual, who blocked his path by stepping in front of him and, pointing a large revolver at his head, demanding that Stringer in double quick time hand over his money and watch if he valued his life.

Although taken by surprise, Stringer was not slow to act. Instead of weakly handing over his valuables without a struggle, the railroad man showed fight.

Quick as a flash he swung his lantern with all his force, striking the arm of the hold-up man, and knocking the revolver from his hand. Thus, being placed on more equal footing with his antagonist, Stringer dropped his lunch basket and sprang at his man. The two clinched and a desperate struggle ensued, lasting for fully five minutes. Stringer had almost overpowered his opponent, when the latter renewed his efforts to escape.

The hand-to-hand encounter on the bridge finally ended by both men falling over the side and landing in the dark waters below, still clinched in each other's arms.

Stringer exerted his full strength to master his opponent in the water, but soon found that he was fast losing his power, and would drown if the continuance of the struggle.

Releasing his grasp upon the man, Stringer succeeded in freeing himself from the ruffian. Both swam to the shore, and Stringer hurried to the railroad tower nearby and gave the alarm while the other man ran over the bridge.

Securing the assistance of armed men, Stringer returned to the scene where, a few minutes before, he was compelled to battle for his life. The entire neighborhood was scoured until daylight but no traces of the ruffian were found, and he is still at large.

No freight train passed that point for more than an hour after the hunt was begun, so that the ruffian could not have escaped by that means, and this thing his flight with mystery.