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CONDENSED NEWS.

The price of turkey is one of the things for which we are not thankful. It will be just as well to have the snow shovel handy.

Ice men are already speculating on the ice harvest prospects.

Thanksgiving marks the end of the football season—an occasion for relief.

George Ricketts, machinist at Curry & Company's plant, is suffering with an abscess on the hand.

Rake up the dead leaves from around your premises. The afford a lurking place for disease germs.

Clean up thoroughly before the final freeze up.

This is the time of year when tramps should be kept on the move. They are likely to become troublesome if encamped.

Help the clerks and yourselves by making your Christmas purchases early.

All turkeys look like to the young housekeeper—until they are cooked.

Unseasonable weather this, but rather pleasant.

Hunters say the woods are so dry that deer hunting is a failure. We hope the hunters are in a condition similar to that of the woods.

The commerce of the United States with its noncontiguous territory in 1905, seems likely to exceed by many million dollars that of any preceding year, according to a statement issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics.

Election echoes are gradually dying out in the distance.

Civilization would gain much if Turkey were to be obliterated from the map of Europe.

Don't forget about making your Christmas purchases early.

The Kaiser receives \$3,925,000 a year as king of Prussia, but nothing as emperor of Germany. The king of Bavaria receives \$1,350,000 a year; the grand duke of Baden, \$1,000,000; the czar of Russia is paid \$1,750,000 for his private use while each grand duke receives \$1,000,000 a year.

A recent enlistment at the regular army barracks in St. Louis was that of Tolbert von Watson, a native of Vienna. His father is an officer in the Austrian army, and the young man is a cousin of Austria's military attaché in Washington. Private von Watson speaks and writes nine languages.

Word comes from Washington that the President has vetoed Senator Foraker's rate bill in advance. This, being a new departure in the interests of economizing time and energy, gives the Senate an opportunity to spend most of the session in denunciatory speeches.

Secretary Taft has traveled 100,000 miles, or four times the distance around the world at the equator, since May 1, 1900, when he became Governor General of the Philippines. In the five and a half years since his call from the Federal bench he has spent 360 days on the ocean or almost a year.

Columbia, New York and other universities are taking a strong stand against football, as the game is now played, and the authorities are demanding either its total abolition or a radical change in the rules. The chairman of Columbia's Athletic Committee pronounced the game "brutal and abominable."

DANVILLE 0 BLOOMSBURG 0

Probably the most interesting and best played game of foot ball ever witnessed in Danville was played at DeWitt's Park Saturday afternoon between the Danville High School eleven and the team representing the Bloomsburg High School.

The prowess of the teams on the gridiron is very truthfully shown in the tie score of 0-0. In foot ball experience and in weight the visitors easily led the local eleven, but in all around playing, in determination and in pluck and endurance the Danville boys outshone their opponents. As in the game with the Watertown High School of several weeks ago, the strength of the Bloomsburg team was greatly augmented by the addition of several ringers, whose presence on the team, however, added nothing, either to the visitors' side of the tally sheet or to their reputation for honest athletics.

One of the visiting towers of strength was Claude Mausteller a six-footer and an amateur boxer of some ability, who has served in the United States Army in the Philippines. Another, "Kid" Wilbur, son of Professor Wilbur, of the Bloomsburg Normal School, a graduate and ex-foot ball player of the Normal and Dickinson College. Wilbur played on the William-port High School team when they defeated the Normal on November 7th. Another, but what's the use, they couldn't win anyhow. As has already been stated several times this season the members of the Danville team are all pupils in good standing in the Danville High School.

The above is all set forth not as the lamentation of a poor loser, but to show what superb and spectacular playing the Danville team put up and to make it clear that a glorious victory was gained, the score to the contrary notwithstanding.

The game from start to finish was beautiful to watch. Bloomsburg's determined onslaught and Danville's equally determined defense were remarkable in High School foot ball. The second half especially was absorbing to the spectators, there being a great deal of open play. Danville kicked off and Bloomsburg, showing better form than any time during the game, advanced the ball to Danville's 10 yard line, where they were held for downs. Dreifuss punted, and Bloomsburg, with the ball again in her possession, once more started on the slow march toward the coveted goal, only to be held again on Danville's 15 yard line. Dreifuss again punted and Bloomsburg returned the kick. Another interchange of kicks left Danville in possession of the ball, but dangerously near the goal line.

Here a change was made in the standing of the teams. Bloomsburg, worn out by the grinding assaults that had twice enabled them to carry the ball underneath the shadow of Danville's goal posts, was now put upon the defensive, and the Danville boys, equally worn, but with courage rising as strength ebbed, started upon a series of line plunges that fairly took the Bloomsburg team off its feet. Steadily and surely they advanced, smashing and scattering their opponents, until past the middle of the field, when the time keeper's whistle ended the contest.

Captain Morris Dreifuss added fresh laurels to his already heavy crown, by his spectacular line plunging and tackling. To go on into a resume of the individual abilities of the team would be to commend in unmeasured terms the playing of each.

The line-up:
Danville: Bloomsburg:
Ryan, center. H. Mausteller, Ryan, right guard. Bucklewe Hartline, left guard. O. Mausteller, Tannehill, left tackle. Solleder, Seidler, right tackle. Walters, McDermott, right end. Geddis, Williams, left end. Edwards, Morris, quarter back. Hagenbuch, Dreifuss, right half back. Saltzer, Spaide, left half back. Hemingway, Arms, full back. Wilbur, Referee, Cohen, Umpire, Alexander, Linesmen, Hauser, Oglesby, Time-keeper, Magill. Time of halves, 20 and 15 minutes. Danville 0; Bloomsburg 0.

A TEN DAYS VACATION

On Wednesday afternoon the public schools of the Borough will close to remain closed until Monday, December 11th. The vacation provides for the observance of Thanksgiving Day on Thursday and the holding of the County Institute next week.

Mr. Fischer brought up the matter. The Board was unanimously in favor of closing the schools on Thanksgiving and following the custom of previous years it was not considered worth while to open them on Friday, the day following. The fact that County Institute occurs next week brings on quite a lengthy vacation, which will be greatly appreciated by the boys and girls.

Mr. Fischer called attention to the need of a larger stove in the frame school building at the Fourth Ward. He recommended that a stove in the Third Ward building not in use at present be taken to the Fourth Ward and the stove displaced there be taken to the Third Ward. His advice prevailed and on motion the exchange of stoves was authorized.

On motion of Mr. Burns it was ordered that a partition be constructed in the cellar of the Second Ward school building to enclose the furnace.

On motion of Mr. Burns seventeen copies of Richardson's Commercial Law were ordered for use in the Commercial Department.

Borough Superintendent Gordy presented his report for the month ending November 30th.

The number of pupils registered during the month are—boys, 577; girls, 624; total, 1201. Number of pupils not absent during term until date, 411. Number of pupils not tardy during term till date, 837. Number of pupils absent during month, 508. Number of pupils tardy during month, 229. Number of pupils reported to Traut Officer, 61. Cases of corporal punishment, 12. Cases of suspension, 0. Number of visits made during month, 51.

It was reported that the practice of smoking prevails among the boys of the High School, who are in the habit of strolling down town at recess and other times to indulge in a cigarette. The matter was discussed at length under the head of "new rules" and on motion it was ordered that any pupil found guilty of smoking as above, by way of punishment be obliged to remain on the school ground.

The following members were present: Adams, Orth, Burns, Pursel, Haring, Weikensier, Fischer, Trumbower, Harpel, Heiss and Grono.

The following bills were approved for payment:
Danville Store & Mfg. Co. \$ 6.33
Thomas G. Vincent \$12.00
Miles, Peifer & Co. \$60.00
William Miller \$ 2.00
Charles Mottern \$1.00
John Doster \$16.85
Ezra Haas \$ 1.75
Robert & Meek \$ 1.88
American Book Co. \$ 8.28
Remington Type Writer Co. \$ 4.00
William Quigg \$23.75
J. H. Cole \$30.80

TRIAL AT THE HOSPITAL

According to previous arrangements the trial to determine the mental condition of Michael J. Foran of Susquehanna county took place in the Directors' room of the State Hospital Monday. Foran belongs to one of the most notable families of the northeast section of the State—the youngest of seven children. At the time of his becoming demented he held a very responsible position under the United States Government in Cincinnati and had already been very successful in business. He owns valuable real estate in Pennsylvania and personal property in the City of Cincinnati. He is a brother of Hon. John P. Foran of South Dakota; of Martin A. Foran, a noted lawyer in Cleveland, O.; of Richard Foran, Ex-Sheriff of Susquehanna county; of Miss Mary A. Foran who is prominently connected with a public charity in the City of Cleveland, O.

The following jury was empaneled which sat in his case: John W. Farnsworth, Henry Kearns, Samuel Mills, Edward Corman, Edward Purpur and Jesse Beaver. Considerable testimony was taken, particularly that of Dr. H. B. Meredith, Superintendent, who was called and who testified at length, giving in detail an exhaustive history and description of Mr. Foran's case, which in many respects seemed to be an unusual one. From all the testimony it was hard to determine any cause, whatever, for Mr. Foran's marked insanity.

After careful deliberation the jury rendered a verdict of insanity without lucid intervals.

This verdict will be returned at once to the Court of Common Pleas of Susquehanna county by E. S. Gearhart, Esq., who presided over the proceedings, when said Court of Common Pleas will appoint what is known as a Committee, who will have entire charge of Mr. Foran's estate under the control of the Court.

Mr. Foran is fifty years of age and physically a fine specimen of manhood. He was present during the proceedings in charge of a personal attendant.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. John Barry, of Sunbury, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Frank Trumbower, of Wilkes-Barre, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Trumbower, East Market street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brook, of Bloomsburg, spent Sunday with Mrs. Alice Brooks, Bloom street.

Mrs. Charles Steiff, of Plymouth, is visiting her brother, E. Swartz Miller on Church street.

O. R. Harris, of Sunbury, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leach, of Washington, D. C., are guests at the home of E. P. Spotts, No. 539 Railroad street.

D. P. Rockafeller, of Philadelphia, is visiting old friends about Danville. He was formerly a resident of South Danville.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Billmeyer, of Mexico, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. James C. Heddens at the Heddens House.

J. W. Berninger, who is employed at Paxinos, spent Sunday with his family in this city.

Charles Horton, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Miles Barber, of Wilkes-Barre, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. I. G. Barber, Ferry street.

John Kase, of Bucknell University, is spending a week's vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kase, Bloom street.

Mrs. P. P. Meyer left yesterday for Philadelphia to spend Thanksgiving at the Gordon School for young ladies.

Mrs. George P. Raidabaugh, of Sparrows Point, Maryland, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Hartzel, Mowrey street.

Chief of Police Cavlin J. Minocover returned yesterday from a trip to Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kear, of Berwick, arrived yesterday to spend Thanksgiving with friends in this city.

James Scarlet, Esq., and Emanuel Price left yesterday for several days' hunting trip near Unityville.

Mrs. A. M. Diem returned Monday evening from a several weeks' visit with friends in Williamsport.

Mrs. Rebecca James and son Blaine James returned Monday from Philadelphia, where Mrs. James had been undergoing treatment in a hospital. Mrs. James is greatly improved.

Mrs. Thomas Jameson, of Burnham, is visiting friends in this city.

Frank Seidel, of Sparrows Point, Maryland, is visiting relatives in Danville.

J. W. Lowrie and Walter Umstead, of Derry township, were visitors in this city yesterday.

Henry Moser and John Moser, of Liberty township, and J. W. Moser, of Washingtonville, were registered at the Heddens House yesterday.

Edwin Moore, student at Princeton University, arrived in Danville last evening to spend Thanksgiving at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Moore, Ferry street.

Miss Mabel Robinson and Miss Blanche Lowrie, teachers in the Third Ward schools, will leave today to spend Thanksgiving at their respective homes in Mooresburg and Strawberry Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Aten, of Baltimore, arrived in this city yesterday for a visit with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Aten were former residents of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Berger, of Bridgeport, New Jersey and Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Frank W. Fisher, near Washingtonville.

Mrs. W. H. Shultz, of Philadelphia, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Woodside, Mowrey street.

TYPICAL THANKS-GIVING MARKET

Tuesday brought out a typical Thanksgiving market. The curbstone was lined with wagons from the canal culvert to a point beyond Northumberland street. There was everything in abundance—even turkeys, which information from some quarters seemed to indicate might be scarce.

The price at which the noble birds were held, however, was so high as to be prohibitive to most people. J. F. Tooley disposed of a fine lot of 18 exceptionally large turkeys sold out at the same price. A farmer, who had exceptionally large turkeys sold out at the same price, however, the farmers were asking 20 cents per pound. How many were disposed of at that price is not known. At 9:30 o'clock there were still a score or more of turkeys on the wagons. Whether these were sold or taken back to the farm to enjoy a no-better life until Christmas, is another point on which information is lacking. One thing is certain town people were not falling over each other to purchase turkeys at 20 cents per pound. In point of fact, sales were made slowly if at all.

The showing made in yesterday's market demonstrated the fact that turkeys are not scarce and people upon inquiring the price turned away from the wagons empty handed declaring that they would forego the luxury of turkey for Thanksgiving rather than pay an exorbitant price.

The next best thing to turkeys were chickens and these were large, fat and plentiful. The price was more reasonable—12 cents per pound live weight and 15 to 16 cents, dressed. A larger number of these were sold than turkeys. It is feared that the thanks offered up Thursday over a good fat hen or rooster at the above price will be rather more fervent than the thanks inspired by a turkey at the heavy tariff quoted above.

Everything that enters into the Thanksgiving feast was on hand in market in unstinted quantities, fresh looking and luscious. Apples sold at the rate of 75 to 80 cents per bushel. Potatoes brought 75 cents.

Eggs, which a couple of weeks ago were 85 cents per dozen, have taken a drop and yesterday sold at 32 cents. There was a large quantity in market and goodly numbers were still to be seen on the wagons as the hour of closing arrived.

A WONDERFUL MAUSOLEUM

The mausoleum being erected by T. L. Evans' Sons in Old Fellows' cemetery for Mrs. Geisinger is one of the finest and most costly pieces of cemetery work erected in this section of the State. The work has advanced far enough by this time to enable a person to form some idea of the external lines and the imposing qualities of the structure when completed. The conception is out of line with all the ideas that enter into the construction of tombs heretofore. Elegance, architectural beauty, thorough and artistic workmanship and finish all enter into it without any apparent regard to cost. But this is not all; the mausoleum is built to endure through the ages.

The base, some twenty-four feet by fifteen, is constructed on a solid bed of concrete nine feet deep, four feet of which is built in the solid rock. The material used in constructing the mausoleum is Vermont granite, surfaced by thirteen feet and high in proportion. The imposing facade with its row of high granite columns will suggest a style of architecture entirely foreign.

The mausoleum is situated about fifty feet from the eastern end of the cemetery on very nearly the highest point. The stone are dressed and prepared for the builders in the firm's stone yard in this city and are hauled to the cemetery on a heavy truck built for the purpose. Some of the slabs of granite are of immense proportions, notable one being surfaced in the yard at present which is some ten feet square and over a foot in thickness. Another piece of work at the yard which attracts attention is a flight of steps as wide as the mausoleum being chiseled out of an immense block of granite. Both the steps and the large slab are to be used in the construction of an approach to the mausoleum and carry out the same idea of massiveness and permanency.

To facilitate the work T. L. Evans' Sons have installed a pneumatic sifter, which has been in operation for a few days past. The work will proceed rapidly from now on and the mausoleum may be completed by the holidays or soon after. The work has been under way for upwards of three months.

CIGARS FORTY YEARS OLD

Several friends of J. H. Cole, the hardware dealer, are enjoying the novel experience of smoking cigars made forty years ago.

Mr. Cole has a whole box full of the ancient cigars and their history is worth narrating. During and previous to the war there lived in East Danville a gentleman by the name of Joseph Burger, who had two sons, Jacob and William, both cigar makers.

Early during the war the boys enlisted. Jacob was captured by the Rebels and died in one of the Southern prisons. William was wounded in one of the battles and was honorably discharged. Arriving at home he spent some time at the farm of Thomas Cole, father of J. H. Cole. According to the best of the latter's recollection this was in the winter of 1863 or 1864.

During his sojourn at the farm of Mr. Cole, the latter employed him to make up into cigars a lot of tobacco, which had been raised during the summer. He faithfully performed his task and then went on his way. The cigars were all disposed of with the exception of one box, which has been preserved until the present. These cigars after the lapse of forty odd years have become a real curiosity and J. H. Cole, into whose possession they have fallen, yesterday decided that it was about time to test their quality.

Accordingly he began handing a few of the old cigars around among his friends. In this connection it might be stated that unlike wine, cigars do not improve with age. On the contrary if the specimens of the weed rolled up forty years ago form a criterion, tobacco may be said to sordidly deteriorate. The gentlemen who tried the cigars yesterday—all good judges of tobacco—found that they had lost all the flavor of tobacco and the smoke as one put it, "seemed to resemble that of dried weeds."

Will Rebuild Big Culvert.

A force of men under A. K. Freeman began work on repairs at the State Highway yesterday morning, but were obliged to discontinue operations shortly after noon owing to the rain.

The point attacked was the big culvert at the property of Cyrus Childs where cast iron pipe four feet in diameter is sunk under the ground. The culvert has proven of sufficient capacity heavy as the accumulation of water is at that point, but unfortunately as at present located the discharge of water causes some damage on the property of James Lewis on the lower side of the road.

In order to remedy the evil it has been decided to remove the pipe about ten feet eastward, where the water discharged will not interfere with the premises in question. The task, however, will not be an easy one, as each joint of pipe weighs some four tons. The plan decided upon is to excavate the highway down as far as the bottom of the pipe for ten feet, the distance embraced between the old and the new drain, and then simply to roll the heavy joints of pipe into their new position instead of lifting out and replacing them, as would be necessary if any other plan were adopted.

A good deal of time will be occupied at this point. Simultaneously with work here the side of the road which at one or two places remains higher than the reconstructed roadway will be cut down to the same level. This inequality of surface, it was thought, interfered much with proper drainage of the road last winter and spring.

Broken Wheel Causes Upset.

The rear wheel under a heavily loaded wagon belonging to Contractor W. A. Shepperson broke down on East Market street, Monday afternoon, and brought about results not always looked for in a mere break down.

The wagon, which was equipped with lay leaders, was being used to convey a lot of old lumber obtained by tearing down the roll shed at the Bessemer plant to the paddle mill at the Structural Tubing Works, where it is to be used as kindling. The driver employed was Francis Delside. A very big load was piled on the wagon. The material was dry and light but as shown its weight was underestimated.

When the load reached a point near opposite the office of the Shovel Works the driver meeting another conveyance took the southern side of the street. While in the act of turning out the rear wheel on the near side went to pieces. The top-heavy wagon not merely dropped, but rolled over on its side, while the driver, who was perched on top, was precipitated head first to the ground.

Delside struck the ground with his head. He was dazed and seemed badly injured. James Shultz, East Market street, who just then happened along on his way home from his farm, picked the man up and took him to his boarding place, Front street. At last accounts Delside was doing very well and did not seem to suffer any very serious effects.

Entertainment at Riverside.

The Junior League of St. Peter's M. E. Church, of Riverside, will give an entertainment Thanksgiving evening, for which the following line program has been prepared:

Song March "Junior League's" Song "We are Junior League's"

Chorus

23rd Psalm "In concert" Prayer "Rev. E. T. Swartz" Recitation "Thanksgiving at Riverside"

Grandma's

Bertha Smith

Solo "My Pennsylvania Home" Mary Yeager

Recitation "Ten Thousand Years Ago" Clyde Shannon

Pantomime "Nearer My God to Thee" Seven Girls

Recitation "The Camel Legend" Eva Bird

Violin Solo "George Wildsmith" Recitation "Preserving Time" Miriam Shannon

Exercise "Girls and Boys"

Instrumental Duet "Adeline and Mary Yeager" Recitation "The Leaves" Myra Campbell

Solo "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" Edna Rudy

Drill "The Blue and the Gray" Girls and Boys

Recitation "Baby's Hair" Bessie Unger

Recitation "Nellie Smith" Solo "Dear Jesus Hear Me" Corabel Hendrickson

Recitation "Thanksgiving Day" Violet Pegg

Song "Junior League" Recitation "Bertel Wolbertson" "The Children's Tea Party and Good Night" Six Little Girls

Union Service.

The following is the program for the Union Thanksgiving Service to be held in the Mahoning Presbyterian church, Thursday morning at 10:30.

Prelude Organist

Doxology Congregation Standing Invocation Rev. N. E. Cleaver Hymn—825 Rev. E. B. Donn Scripture Lesson Rev. Joseph E. Gray Anthem Choir

Prayer Rabbi Zeisler Announcement of Offering Organist

Offertory Organist Hymn 830 (Congregation Standing) Rev. C. D. Lerch Sermon Rev. Wm. C. McCormack, D. D. Prayer Rev. S. B. Evans Hymn 835 Rev. L. D. Ulrich Benediction Rev. M. L. Shindel, D. D. Postlude Organist

State College Strike is On.

The threatened strike of the students at State College over the election of the faculty that the students believe to be a case for you," said Judge Staples to Mr. Gearhart. "The Lackawanna railroad has no right to sell liquors in this county any more than any individual without a license."

Killed Big Black Snake.

John Moyer and John Telaworth while hunting in the vicinity of Roaring Creek, on Monday, shot a black snake that measured over five feet in length.

The hunters came upon the big reptile unexpectedly, while he was sunning himself, having his head raised off the ground, and the men promptly shot him.

It is most unusual to find a black snake this late in the season, as the time when they start to hibernate is long past.

Strangely Afflicted.

J. Hyatt Montague, of Danville, has been under the treatment of Dr. G. W. Furey, of this city, for an unusual and serious disease of the eyes. Mr. Montague has a fine flock of chickens and it is supposed that while handling some of the chickens afflicted with canker sore mouth the poison was in some way communicated to his eyes. His friends will be glad to learn that he is making a good recovery.—Sunbury Daily.

William T. Heddens Honored.

W. M. Heddens, of this city, prominent as a Grand Army man, has been appointed Aid and Assistant Inspector of the Division of Pennsylvania, Sons of Veterans.

Old Resident Passes Away.

Alexander P. Baker, a well known resident of Rush township, departed this life about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at his home near Little Roaring Creek.

The deceased was seventy-five years of age and had been ill a long time, suffering from a complication of diseases. He was an old resident of the township. For a number of years he had been actively engaged in farming but at the time of his death he was living retired.

A wife and five children survive: Henry H. Baker, of Millintown; Horace and Arthur Baker, of Rush township; Misses Valaria and Lydia Baker, who reside at the parental home.

The funeral will be held from the late residence Friday morning. Interment will take place in Old Fellows' cemetery.

A Happy Christmas.

Merchants are already laying away Christmas gifts for buyers and from the opinion they express this year's Christmas will be a prosperous and a most happy one for all. Times are good and the buying of presents will likely eclipse all previous records.

Calvary Team Coming.

The fine Calvary Team, of Wilkes-Barre, has been secured by William Snyder, operator at Kirby's broker's office, to play a game of basket ball in Danville on Wednesday, December 6th. Calvary has not been defeated this season, and has played such teams as the Americans, of Nanticoke; Taylors, champions of Lackawanna county; Pittston, etc. They defeated the Monarchs, who played here on Monday night, 50-10.

Thanksgiving at Christ Church.

At Christ Episcopal Church on Thanksgiving Day the following services will be held by Rev. Edward Houghton, rector: Holy Eucharist at 7:30 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon at 10 a. m.

Another Murder.

TOWANDA, Pa., Nov. 28.—Bradford county may have another murder that duplicates in all its features the famous Johnson case of last year. The circumstances surrounding the death of Mary Shaylor and little Henry Merritt here Sunday are such that a most rigid investigation will be made.

At an early hour Sunday morning a house was burned down in Towanda township and in the fire the two persons mentioned lost their lives, the boy being but an infant. During the hours preceding the fire there had been a carouse at the house and at first it was thought that some of the persons while under the influence of liquor had tipped over a lamp and in this manner set fire to the house.

Later developments, however, delincline to the opinion that it was a premeditated crime and that the two persons burned lost their lives through willful murder. It is alleged that some persons burned oil through a window into the room where the little Merritt baby was asleep and threw a lighted match into the room thereby causing the blaze. It is further claimed that there were persons who have reasons for wishing to wreak vengeance on those who took part in the carouse.

So strong are the suspicions of foul play that Garner Holcomb has instructed "Squire Hill to hold an inquest to inquire into the death of the two and it is scheduled to take place tomorrow evening. In the meantime Detective Guy Hollen who so successfully worked up the Johnson case is making an investigation.

Associate Judge Sworn In.

Charles A. Wagner of Limestone township, who last week was appointed Associate Judge to fill the unexpired term of Dr. S. Y. Thompson, was in this city Saturday and was sworn into office. The oath was administered at the Court House by Register and Recorder W. L. Sieder.

Montour county again has two Associate Judges, although they both reside in the county, whereas Dr. Thompson, whom Judge Wagner succeeds, was a resident of town, which added to convenience in some cases. However, the new Associate Judge is on the rural telephone system and can be reached without any difficulty or delay when needed.

When Court arose last Thursday Judge Staples explained that in case of emergency the two Associates could hold court, provided of course that the proceedings came in within a prescribed limit, that does not call for decisions that involve a thorough knowledge of the law.

There is a lively scramble among Harrisburg lawyers for the vacant seat of Judge Weiss on the Dauphin county bench.

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Claims Half of Ft. Carmel.

A lively contest for the possession of a large section of real estate upon which Mt. Carmel is built is scheduled for the near future.

The contestant will be Mrs. William Briner, of Reading, who was born at Mt. Carmel in 1819. She was a daughter of John Riffert. At the time of her birth there were only two houses there, the Riffert and the Lerch families being the only occupants of the territory that now contains a population of 20,000 people.

The land in question was considered worthless almost at that time, and Mrs. Briner says her father abandoned the tract and moved to Berks county. There are several hundred thousand dollars' worth of buildings on the property now.

Mrs. Briner was at Mt. Carmel recently with her attorney, taking testimony to validate her claim to the land held by her father at the time of her birth. While in the town she was the guest of the town historian, William H. Lerch, who played with the aged claimant in childhood.

Lerch knows the town from its earliest days. He tells interesting anecdotes of the good old days when the lumber could stand at his cabin door and shoot deer and bear in abundance, and says the presence of Indians was not infrequent.

Mr. Lerch will be an important witness.

The Last Rites Performed.

All that was mortal of John Henning was consigned to the grave in the Old Fellows' cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The services were conducted by the Rev. N. E. Cleaver. A number of the life long friends of the deceased gathered at Trinity M. E. church to pay a last tribute to his memory.

The inclement weather prevented the Old Fellows and the P. O. S. of A. from attending in a body, but a fair representation of each body was present at the funeral. Among those were six members from Washington Camp, No. 116, P. O. S. of A., of Mt. Carmel, of which the deceased was a member; James Thomas, Alfred Edwards, Robert Murrick, Alfred Persing, John Hudoch, John Sherman.

The pall bearers were as follows: Montour Lodge, No. 109, L. O. O. F., D. R. Williams, George Leiglow and Joseph Y. Seidler; Washington Camp, No. 364, P. O. S. of A., James V. Wilson, Isaac Gross and Daniel Eyerly. The weather conditions made it impossible at the grave to observe the burial rites of the two orders to which the deceased belonged as was intended. The rain which was then falling heavily made it necessary to have the services in the cemetery as brief as possible.

The deceased in addition to his wife and son is survived by two sisters: Mrs. Bingham, of Shamokin, and Mrs. William Geringer, of this city. Those from out of town who attended the funeral were: James Baylor, of Mt. Carmel, Mrs. Creamy and Mrs. Kate Baylor, Catawissa.

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When the load reached a point near opposite the office of the Shovel Works the driver meeting another conveyance took the southern side of the street. While in the act of turning out the rear wheel on the near side went to pieces. The top-heavy wagon not merely dropped, but rolled over on its side, while the driver, who was perched on top, was precipitated head first to the ground.

Delside struck the ground with his head. He was dazed and seemed badly injured. James Shultz, East Market street, who just then happened along on his way home from his farm, picked the man up and took him to his boarding place, Front street. At last accounts Delside was doing very well and did not seem to suffer any very serious effects.

Entertainment at Riverside.

The Junior League of St. Peter's M. E. Church, of Riverside, will give an entertainment Thanksgiving evening, for which the following line program has been prepared:

Song March "Junior League's" Song "We are Junior League's"

Chorus

23rd Psalm "In concert" Prayer "Rev. E. T. Swartz" Recitation "Thanksgiving at Riverside"

Grandma's

Bertha Smith

Solo "My Pennsylvania Home" Mary Yeager

Recitation "Ten Thousand Years Ago" Clyde Shannon

Pantomime "Nearer My God to Thee" Seven Girls

Recitation "The Camel Legend" Eva Bird

Violin Solo "George Wildsmith" Recitation "Preserving Time" Miriam Shannon

Exercise "Girls and Boys"

Instrumental Duet "Adeline and Mary Yeager" Recitation "The Leaves" Myra Campbell

Solo "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" Edna Rudy

Drill "The Blue and the Gray" Girls and Boys

Recitation "Baby's Hair" Bessie Unger

Recitation "Nellie Smith" Solo "Dear Jesus Hear Me" Corabel Hendrickson

Recitation "Thanksgiving Day" Violet Pegg

Song "Junior League" Recitation "Bertel Wolbertson" "The Children's Tea Party and Good Night" Six Little Girls

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