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CONDENSED NEWS.

Never too late to clean up your yards.
Both the birds and the flowers will be with us presently.
The coward and the tyrant will yet come to judgment.
The presence of an occasional fly troubles the bald-headed man.
Some hearts manage quite successfully to conceal the divine.
There is a bit of the divine nature in every human heart.
It is a quite common failing to think more highly of oneself than one ought to think.
The busy man is always the one who is solicited to shoulder additional burdens.
The blind leaders of the blind are visible on every hand.
The public man who wishes to retain a good reputation must serve the people faithfully.
In 1906 Arizona had the largest increase in production of copper of all the copper states. The output was 284,228,253 pounds, against 239,848,000 pounds in 1905.
Williamsport is after the annual encampment of the Sons of Veterans next year. A large delegation will go to the meeting in Scranton in June to present the city's claims.
The Trevorton Coal and Land company will erect a breaker at Trevorton, where that company has spent upwards of \$400,000.
It is a matter of record that the women of this country spend eighty million dollars a year for new bonnets.
Convenient as the telephone is, there are moments in the life of a busy man when it is a first class nuisance.
It is possible to deceive a large portion of the public for a considerable length of time, but not for all the time.
The Tri-State League ball season opens on the 24th inst., when Williamsport will play Harrisburg at the former place.
New York City has an average of six deaths each day of a violent character, from assault, self-inflicted injuries and accidents.
The man who thinks he knows everything and yet knows nothing is always the hardest to get along with.
There are few positions in life so agreeable that they could not be bettered, or so uncomfortable that they might not be worse.
It is possible to gain temporary profit by trading on public curiosity, but it is of short duration.
The weather for some time past has been real friendly to dealers in rubber.
There are lots of improvements needed in Danville, and she is going to get some of them this summer, too.
The wings of justice are merely clipped, not torn out.
The approval of one's own conscience is not always an infallible evidence that one is right.
Anyone heard anything about a new industry lately?
Snakes are ripe.
The Jamestown Exposition police will consist of a hundred men known as the Powhatan Guards.
In reply to an advertisement for woman typist at a salary of \$3.75 a week a London firm on March 4 received no fewer than 297 replies.
Shipbuilding in Japan employs 1000 men at Nagasaki 8000 at Kobe and 4,000 at Osaka. All the Japanese yards are full of orders.
The long feathers of a bird's wing are fastened to the bone. It is this which gives the wing the strength and surface wherewith to beat the air.
In the Maharajah's palace at Banno India, is a 10x16 carpet so interspersed with pearls and diamonds that it is said to be valued at more than \$1,000,000.
In the absence of bulletins to the contrary we are to assume, no doubt, that the peach crop is still safe.
The Arbor day address of the president to the young folks ought to stimulate their interest in tree life.
The weatherman's untimely products have failed to scare the arbutus and other floral delights of spring.
King Leopold, of Belgium, a recent writer in one of the magazines pronounced the ablest statesman in Europe.
One of the sure results of expert testimony is to befuddle the minds of the jurors and prevent the members of that body from reaching a conclusion.
Isn't it about time for Pennsylvania to have a gold strike. We've been finding every other kind of metal lately.
In 1840 the Austrian noblemen could legally claim two days a week of unpaid labor from all their tenants, who were at that date practically serfs.

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WORKMAN OVERCOME BY GAS

John Dugan of the third ward came within an ace of meeting death by asphyxiation while digging a trench on Front street Saturday; he was already treading the borderland between life and death and had it not been that fate sent a lone pedestrian that way after his feeble cries for help had become inaudible there would have been no earthly power to save him.
Dugan along with a couple of other employes of Joseph Lechner, was employed in making a sewer connection at the residence of Mrs. Martha Gearhart, No. 110 East Front street. A trench of the usual depth was dug reaching from the front of the residence to the sewer in the street. Dugan was working in the trench while the other two men were doing some plumbing in the bath room, which is situated in the upper story at the rear of the house.
It was about 11 a. m. Dugan was entirely out of his fellow workmen, while the street by a coincidence was singularly deserted by pedestrians. In the process of digging, the gas main, which crossed the trench being dug, sustained some sort of a mishap and began to leak.
Dugan in all probability was unaware of his peril, even if he knew that the gas was leaking, until he was too far gone under its influence to make any effectual attempt to escape. At the very last moment it providentially happened that Edward Cornman passed the spot. His attention was attracted by the singular movements of Dugan, who was down on his hands and knees in the trench and in a convulsive manner was clutching at the earth in the bottom.
Mr. Cornman called to the man but in response he heard only the feeble cries of "Help, help," in a tone too low to be heard more than a few feet from the trench. At the same moment Mr. Cornman detected the strong odor of gas and could hear the hissing sound as it escaped from the pipe through an aperture large enough to insert a couple of fingers. In a moment he realized that the man was being suffocated by the inhalation of gas and that nothing but the promptest kind of action would save his life. Laying hold of Dugan he attempted to drag him from the trench. The man, however, was helpless; his body was limp and hung a dead weight in the rescuer's arms. By a herculean effort he managed to drag the man from the trench and seat him on the doorstep of a residence out of the way of the dead gas.
Mr. Cornman thought that the fresh breeze would revive the man, but the latter was too far gone and he instantly fell into a state resembling deep sleep. Thoroughly alarmed the rescuer ran into the Gearhart residence and summoned the fellow workmen. The question of suitable antidote was discussed and acting on the recommendation of William Paugh it was decided to give the unconscious man milk. It required heroic measures to arouse him sufficiently to get him to swallow the supposed antidote and then he immediately fell asleep again.
In a further effort to revive him the two fellow employes assisted him to his feet and compelled him to walk. He was taken down to the store of his employer, Joseph Lechner, on Mill street, where Dr. Patten was called.
When the physician arrived Dugan was blue in the face; his heart action was very weak and he was breathing with difficulty. It would have required but a single moment more in the trench to have brought about fatal effects. Saturday evening it was reported that Dugan had come around all right and that he was seen on the street.

KILLED IN NEW YORK

The sad intelligence reached this city Monday that our former townsman, George M. Secler, employed as a policeman in New York City, was killed by a pistol shot Sunday while effecting the arrest of a Sicilian, who had fatally wounded an innocent boy. The details of the story are exciting in the extreme and afford glimpses which reveal on the part of the deceased policeman true heroism and bravery as well as a devotion to the loved ones of his home, which imparts to the whole narrative a tinge of pathos.
Monday morning David Secler of this city received a telegram from New York apprising him of the tragic death of his brother, the policeman, and informing him that a letter would follow containing particulars. The letter arrived by the afternoon mail. Meanwhile the New York morning papers arrived containing a full account of the shooting.
Policeman Secler was killed while attempting to arrest Salvatore Governale, a Sicilian, who had shot Charles Vincenzo, a lad 19 years of age. The shooting of which Vincenzo was the innocent victim grew out of a very trivial affair. While in the park some boys jostled Governale, who drew his pistol and fired one shot, which hit no one. Governale then ran out of the building in which the affair took place pursued by those inside. Again he drew his revolver and shot the lad Vincenzo, who had taken no part in the fracas.
Policeman Secler, who was in plain clothes, from the south side of the Park, saw the mob in pursuit of Governale and hurriedly started in that direction. Governale with one hand doubled up grasping his pistol dashed across into Thompson street, where he took refuge in a six-story double-deck tenement.
Meanwhile Patrolman Sellick, also in plain clothes, joined the chase. Although a giant in stature he was close on the heels of officer Secler, as the latter heroically jumped into the hallway after the fugitive Sicilian.
Governale unknown to his pursuers was crouching in an alcove at the left of the entrance of the hall. Officer Secler groped blindly for an instant. That was all. Then there was a flash followed by a report and the policeman dropped to the floor. Sellick, the other officer, who sprang into the hall a moment later, was also shot while groping in the dark.
Sellick, though mortally wounded, grappled with the assassin, wresting the weapon from the latter's clutch and clinging to him until help arrived in the person of Detective Sergeant John J. Fogarty, who with his club quickly reduced Governale to submission.
The wounded officers were removed to St. Vincent's hospital. Secler had a baby born to him only a few weeks ago. His first words on arriving at the hospital were:
"Can you send for my wife and baby? I believe I have only a short time to live." In less than an hour Secler's wife and baby were by his side. The babe was laid for a time in its crying father's arms. The young mother collapsed. The shooting occurred late in the afternoon and at 10.30 P. M. Secler died. Sellick's life was despaired of from the first. He was shot just below the heart, the bullet lodging in the lung. Sellick was shot by a maniac and nearly killed last December. He was an honor man and wore a medal for saving a woman and child at a fire.
Governale the murderer, was identified by both Secler and Sellick at the hospital.
George M. Secler, the unfortunate officer, was a son of the late Aaron and Rebecca Secler and grew to manhood at this city, the family homestead being on Bloom road. He was 34 years of age and besides his wife and babe, is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Harmon L. Secler, of Ashland; David Secler of Danville; Mrs. William Mumma, of Altoona; Mrs. Joseph Gibson and Miss Martha Secler, of this city.
The deceased left Danville some twelve years ago. He was a young man of excellent character; he was studious and ambitious and seemed to have a bright future before him. He was very widely known in Danville and as late as last winter paid our town a pleasant visit, during which old associations were renewed and strengthened. The news of his sad and untimely death caused among friends here many a pang of sorrow.

APPROPRIATION FOR HOSPITAL

Gratifying intelligence reached this city Tuesday eve to the effect that the bill making an appropriation to the trustees of the hospital for the insane at this place passed the senate finally yesterday and that it is considerably in excess of the sum originally named in the act presented in the house.
The news first reached Danville in a telegram from W. F. Shay received by H. M. Schoch, a member of the board of trustees of the hospital. Instead of \$389,300, the sum originally asked for, the princely sum of \$429,000 is appropriated by the senate.
It was generally believed that the appropriation would be raised in the senate but few had an idea that such a large sum would be added. To what the \$40,000 is to be wholly applied no one last night seemed to be in a position to state with authority, but that a portion of it will be used in providing additional means for the disposal of sewage, as stated in the bill, there seems to be no doubt. This "additional means," as is well known, implies a piping and a filling up of the canal.
It is learned from the trustees that the plans and specifications for the new work at the hospital are already completed and are the work of Architect Reimeyer of Williamsport. The early completion of the plans and specifications made necessary to comply with the terms of the bill, which provides that the appropriation is not to become available until the plans and specifications for the buildings are approved by the governor.
Funeral of Mrs. Vincent.
The funeral of Mrs. Thomas G. Vincent took place yesterday afternoon and was very largely attended.
The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. McCormack, pastor of Grove Presbyterian church. The pall bearers were: Dr. E. A. Curry, Alex. Foster, M. G. Youngman, Major C. P. Gearhart, R. S. Ammerman and Simon Hoffman.
Among those funeral out of town who attended the funeral were: O. R. Drummeller and family of Sunbury; Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Taylor, Mrs. Lizzie Gregory, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Vincent, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vincent, of Valley township; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, of Sunbury; Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of Wilkes-Barre; Hon. Grant Herring and wife, of Bloomsburg; Miss Nell Goodhead, of Watsonburg; Richard Goodall, of Tyrone; Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Vincent and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vincent, of Millin.
Interment was made in Fairview cemetery.
Local Ministers Glade Addresses.
The steward conference of the Baptist church is in session at the First Baptist church in Bloomsburg this week. Yesterday addresses were made before the body by Rev. John Sherman, of this city, and by Rev. H. O. Munro, of White Hall.
The conference opened yesterday morning at 9 o'clock with praise and prayer service after which Rev. Sherman gave a very interesting talk, having for his subject, "The Organization of the Missionary Committee in the Local Church." His address was full of interesting suggestions and was well received. Rev. Munro, spoke on the subject, "Proportional Giving."
The End of a Romance.
Snydertown citizens are deeply moved over the outcome of the romance of one of the town's daughters. Falling in love with David Parkin when he appeared at Shamokin in vaudeville, four weeks ago, Miss Sara Sunbury, of Snydertown who was employed at the Hotel Grammer obtained an introduction to him.
After one week's courtship they eloped to Williamsport and were married. Her parents yesterday received a letter from her in New York, stating she was penniless and that her husband had deserted her. She asked to come home. Her parents despatched money to the young wife.
An Ancient Tragedy.
While digging a wall excavation along the public road near Williamsport, yesterday, men unearthed the skeleton of a man with an old flint-lock gun alongside.
The skull, which is quite well preserved, has the appearance of having been pierced by a bullet. The story of an ancient and long forgotten tragedy is probably told by the skull and gun.
CHILD LABOR LAWS.
Child labor laws ought to be a very interesting and widely discussed "State Topic" during the next few weeks. Pennsylvania's reputation is mighty bad as respects the protection of its children. Efforts are being made to improve the situation. Some say, "torrid influence is holding back the only rational measure before the proper committee. Men and women interested in the welfare of children must move on their representatives at once, if any good is to come out of this session."
While hunting wild ducks along the Swatara creek on Monday, Harry Horn, of Lebanon, blew his left arm off by the explosion of his gun. Horn's condition is serious on account of the great loss of blood.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Curry, of New York City, are visiting at the Curry homestead, West Mahoning street.
Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Diefenbacher, of Williamsport, arrived yesterday for a visit at the home of Chief of Police Micoemeyer.
Mrs. Frank Sandel, of Bloomsburg, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Frazier, r. f. d., No. 2.
Mrs. Emma L. Pease has returned from a several days' trip to Philadelphia.
Mrs. J. M. Brader will leave today for a visit with her daughter in New York City.
John Curry and Fred Owens spent last evening in Sunbury.
Outcome of a Family Jar.
The office of Justice of the Peace James Dalton yesterday was the scene of a hearing in which a family jar, which had some of the elements of tragedy, was satisfactorily settled and the most durable and loving relations restored between the parties at variance.
The defendant in the case was Abraham Jones, Jr., who was arrested at the instance of his wife charged with assault and battery. Abraham's defense was that he had been drinking and was not responsible for his conduct; he cast no doubt upon any of the charges brought against him and expressed the deepest regret for what had occurred. He was willing to pledge himself to the very best of behavior in the future.
The wife, however, repeated the wrongs and violence that had been heaped upon her and explained that Abraham had made promises before and that she was afraid that the next time he fell into one of his belligerent moods the scene would be repeated. In short, she declared she was afraid of her husband and she was exceedingly reluctant to consent to a withdrawal of the charge.
Almost everyone seemed to think that Abraham ought to have another chance. The two police officers along with others assumed the role of peacemakers and talked very convincingly to the complainant, defining her duty as a loving and forgiving wife and pointing out most beautifully scenes of comfort and domestic felicity that were yet in store for her. She finally demurred no longer and consented to withdraw the charge. The reconciliation was most complete and husband and wife left the office arm in arm.
Will Double Track Road.
The D. L. & W. railroad is planning extensive improvements at Northumberland. The company recently purchased the bed of the old Pennsylvania canal, which runs from Northumberland up the North branch of the Susquehanna river for many miles. During the past few days agents have been scouring Northumberland, Sunbury and other surrounding towns for laborers, who will soon be put to work filling the canal as far up as the locks, a distance of about a mile.
On the property thus recovered, it is reported that they will build additional tracks, which will greatly enlarge their terminal facilities at Northumberland. Should the traffic warrant it, they will run a double track the full length of the road, as the canal parallels the railway for its entire length.
This action means that the canal will be permanently abandoned and that the recent agitation for the revival of canal transportation in this section will be fruitless.
From a sanitary point of view, the town of Northumberland will be in a great degree benefited, because the canal at present is only an unsightly ditch, a dumping ground for refuse, and a breeding ground for disease germs.—Sunbury Daily.
A Pleasant Surprise Party.
A pleasant surprise party was tendered Miss Mary Maher, of Plymouth, who is taking a musical course at St. Joseph's Parochial school, and who is stopping with her uncle, James F. Doughtery, Northumberland St. Refreshments were served and the guests enjoyed themselves with music and games.
Those present were: Joseph Schram, Charles Keiser, Arthur Reese, William VanHorn, John Aton, Edward Wargo, Harry Dalley, Valentine Kmiecinski, John Boettinger, Mary Cady, Mary McDonald, Lacey Minter, Sue Grams, Margaret McCann, Katie English, Catherine Deen, Mary Maher.
Shamokin's Strong Effort.
Shamokin Odd Fellows will make a strong effort to secure the 1908 Odd Fellows' convention for that place when their delegates attend the annual State convention of this flourishing order at Lock Haven the latter part of this month says the Shamokin Daily News.
Brakeman for Ten Minutes.
Ten minutes after W. C. Bitner took his first railroad position as a brakeman in the Pennsylvania railroad yards at Pitsaon, on Thursday night, he was knocked down by a yard engine and both his legs were cut off. He is 21 years of age and came from Baltimore.

IN FAVOR OF ROTARY SWEEPER

Few moves have been contemplated by the borough that have aroused more interest than the proposition to give out the cleaning of Mill street by contract and to have the work done at night.
It is arranged to award the contract at the regular meeting of Council Friday night, which invests that session with more than ordinary interest. Meanwhile prospective bidders are busy and the city clerk at certain hours is kept occupied handing out the plans and specifications and answering innumerable questions relating to them.
From appearances there will be no scarcity of bidders. The only point in doubt is the method of cleaning that may be adopted by Council.
Considering that before the summer is over North Mill street will be paved and that this will nearly double the length of paving to be done, not a few of the councilmen incline to the view that a rotary sweeper would prove the most economical in the end. The sweeper would of course necessitate the employment of a horse, but a horse is already used in hauling away the sweepings and will be needed no matter which of the methods are employed. With a rotary sweeper but one or two men would be needed, so that, although the first cost might be a couple of hundred dollars the amount would soon be balanced by what would be saved in the reduced number of men.
There is some objection against flushing as a regular means of cleaning the street owing to the accumulation of trash in the sewer, which would be likely to result. It is hardly probable that flushing will be adopted after the matter is fully discussed. It will not be until the bids are opened that Council will have an opportunity of determining which is the cheapest and most practicable of the various methods of street cleaning proposed.
Feet Were in the Stove.
The Danville stove and manufacturing company has among its customers people of many different nationalities, among whom are embraced a few who employ a very odd process of reasoning, if the letter appended may be taken as a criterion. In justice to the patrons of the stove works who live in this vicinity we would explain that the letter in question was written by a customer in a neighboring town:
"Dear Sirs: I receive de stove which I by from you alrite but for why dont you sent me no feet what is de use of de stove when he don't have no feet. I am loose to me my customer sure ting by no having de feet and as dat no very pleasure for me. Was de matter wit you is not my trade money so good like anoder mans you loose to me my trade and i am very anger for dat and now i tells to you dat you are a dam fools and no good. I send you back at once you stove to morro for sure beakave you are such a dam foolishness peoples.
Yours respectfully,
"P. S.—Since i write you dis letter I find de feet in de oven excuse to me."
Will Address the Veterans.
The memorial day committee of Goodrich post No. 22, has begun the preliminary arrangements for the observance of the time which in each year is set apart for the veterans.
Rev. James Hutchison has been invited to preach the annual sermon to the veterans on the Sunday before Memorial day.
The service will take place in the Mahoning Presbyterian church at 10.30 o'clock in the morning of Sunday, May 26th.
Rev. Joseph E. Guy, pastor of the Shiloh Reformed church, was chosen to make the address to the veterans at the cemetery on Memorial day.
Both of the ministers, who were selected by the committee have signified their willingness to accept the honor conferred upon them.
AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE.
The Harrisburg Telegraph says that "James M. Lambertson, of this city is at Washington, D. C., this week attending the National conference of Church clubs of the Episcopal church in America. The committee which will represent the Church club of the diocese of Harrisburg is composed of Messrs. Lambertson, George N. Reynolds, of Lancaster; Frank C. Angle, Danville, and Levi G. Hatton, Shamokin."
ROAD INTELLIGENCE.
A spirit of intelligence is beginning to pervade all classes of people in the matter of improved highways. Senator Miller's bill providing that owners of draught wagons with tires not less than eight inches wide shall be exempt from one-half of their road tax is an indication that those who use the public roads are now realizing that they must themselves do something to keep the roads in condition.
ASSOCIATED WITH SCARLET.
Henry A. Fuller, who was named as judge of the court of Luzerne county vice Frank M. Wheaton, who resigned is one of the most prominent attorneys in Wilkes-Barre. He was named by ex-Attorney General Carson as one of the attorneys to prosecute the election crooks in Luzerne county. James Scarlet, of Danville, is also one of these lawyers.

NORTHUMBERLAND PRESBYTERY

Rev. Dr. McCormack, Pastor of the Grove Presbyterian church, yesterday morning returned home from Newberry, where he attended a meeting of the Northumberland Presbytery held on Monday and Tuesday.
The Presbytery adjourned to meet at the Mahoning Presbyterian church, April 29th., for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relation existing between the Elysburg and Rush Presbyterian churches and the Rev. Mr. Graham, who has been in charge for upwards of a year.
The session of the presbytery at Newberry was marked by an innovation, the like of which has never occurred in the history of the Northumberland and probably of no other Presbytery before. From the very earliest days it has been the unalterable rule that a clergyman should act as Moderator of the presbytery.
At the meeting at Newberry, Monday, something induced the presbytery to make a departure and it elected John G. Redding Esq., an attorney and a man prominent in the affairs of the town, as moderator, to serve during the ensuing year. Dr. McCormack says that Mr. Redding made an able presiding officer and that he seemed thoroughly at home in a role, which, up to the present, has always been filled by dignitaries of the pulpit.
Mr. Redding is not only a brilliant lawyer, but he is also a leading church worker. It will be recalled that he addressed the Y. M. C. A. in this city a year or so ago and that he made a strong impression. That Mr. Redding should be the first layman selected as moderator is a tribute alike to his ability and character as a Christian gentleman.
George M. Gearhart of the Grove church and David Shellhart of the Mahoning church were present at the presbytery as lay delegates.
100 Information Bureaus.
The thousands of Elks who attend the twenty first annual reunion of the order in Philadelphia during the week of July 15th need have no fear of straying from the fold or getting lost, as 100 information bureaus will be scattered about the city.
The information bureaus will be designated by large and attractive signs, and all day and night some well informed person will be in charge to direct any stray Elk or give information of any kind.
A notable feature of the reunion will be the celebration on the Delaware river. An application will be made to the secretary of the navy to have six of the nation's battleships transferred from the Jamestown celebration to Philadelphia during the week's festivities.
In addition to the war vessels many of the Southern lodges are coming to the city by water and have chartered private vessels. A lodge from New Orleans, it is said, has chartered one of the Southern Pacific company's new ships, which has just been completed at a cost of \$1,500,000. The lodges from North Carolina are also coming by boat and other Southern States are expected to come in the same manner.
The boats will anchor in the river and during the week will be gaily decorated with hunting, flags and lanterns. Concerts on deck will be one of their attractions.
Ladies who attend the reunion will be looked after by the ladies' reception committee which will establish headquarters in the State fencibles armory, Broad and Race streets.
The plans for decoration are being pushed. This has always been one of the most important features of the celebrations and it is hoped to make the decorations in Philadelphia grander than any have been.
New Brotherhood Being Formed.
Another railroad brotherhood is now being formed. The new society is to be known as the Brotherhood of Railroad Employes, and its object is to look after the general welfare of all classes of railroad employes. It is proposed that the branches now separately represented shall combine and form one gigantic society, which, however, will not interfere with the independent working of each separate brotherhood.
Three Generations Immersed.
The Christian church at Bloomsburg was the scene of a unique occurrence yesterday afternoon when three generations were baptised by immersion. Mrs. E. H. Keller, who is aged 70 years, her daughter, Mrs. Walter and the latter's son were all baptised at the same service.
Frank Pease, who last summer started a row in a Steelton trolley car and shot and killed Charles Lehman, the motorman, has been denied a new trial at Harrisburg and the death sentence has been pronounced.
Thomas H. Hudson, a negro politician of the Ninth ward, in Chester, a member of the Chester school board, has recently taken his seat as a member of the common council, and is perhaps the only man in the State occupying two such elective offices at the same time.
Judging from appearances on Capitol Hill the Salus Grady law will be able to leave in a very short time.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH AT MT. CARMEL

While walking through a narrow tunnel almost a mile under ground, in the depths of the Ayre coal mine at Mt. Carmel, yesterday morning, guided only by the dim light from their flickering lamps, several miners stumbled over the dead body of Charles Skidski, who has spent nearly all his life in the mines.
Whether he met death by accident or not, may never be known, although there are suspicions of foul play. But death came when he was far beyond the sight or hearing of any of his fellow workmen and the blank, jagged walls of his rocky tomb tell no tales.
Skidski went to work early yesterday morning, and apparently was in the best of health. When he descended into the black depths of the Ayre mine it was the last time he was seen alive. His pick and other mining tools which he worked were discovered close to the spot where his body lay.
An examination of the body, by the coroner, has not yet been made.
A lump on the back of "his head, either from a terrific blow by a blunt weapon or from striking against the cavern was found by the miners when they picked him up. Death was almost instantaneous and was probably due to concussion of the brain.
The mystery of his death will probably never be solved. If he was murdered, his assailant doubtless succeeded in making his escape through the maze of tunnels which honeycomb the coal regions in the vicinity of Shamokin and Mt. Carmel. And as there is no chance of finding the guilty man, the authorities will probably not burden themselves with fruitless investigations. Skidski's departure from his natural life will be catalogued with those unfathomable mysteries which are so numerous in the regions where the Black Hand flourishes.
The Funds of Pennsylvania.
HARRISBURG April 17.
The senate appropriations committee yesterday afternoon heard the report of the sub-committees appointed to visit the charitable, State, semi-State, normal schools, and penal institutions of the Commonwealth. The reports of these sub-committees were accepted in every particular. The reductions recommended were followed in every detail.
Among other bills reported out were as follows:
Mary Packer Hospital, Sunbury, \$21,000.
Lock Haven hospital, \$26,000.
Roaring Spring hospital, \$16,000.
Johnstown hospital, \$65,000.
Academy of Nature Science, Philadelphia, \$250,000.
Hospital Railroad car, \$30,000.
Bellfonte hospital, \$17,000.
Williamsport hospital, \$65,000.
Lewistown hospital, \$40,000.
Aged Colored Women's home, Williamsport, \$2,000.
Florence Crittenden home, Williamsport, \$2,000.
Williamsport Training school, \$6,000.
Danbois hospital, \$7,000.
St. Joseph's hospital, Reading, \$60,800.
Reading hospital, \$45,000.
York hospital, \$18,000.
Asks for Counsel.
Stanny Marcavitch, who will be tried for the murder of Charles Yaelonics of the Springfield cobbler, has asked a motion of court that counsel be appointed to defend him. Marcavitch exhibited none of the hysterical symptoms that have characterized both Fisher and Whitlager who have both appeared reluctant to have counsel appointed and seemed anxious to have the trial over.
As Marcavitch is without means and is classed as a criminal pauper, the court will appoint counsel to defend him.
Books of One-Cent Stamps.
One-cent stamps are now added to the denominations that are for sale in book form at the local post office. The price per book is twenty-five cents. Books containing stamps and stamps of higher denominations have been on sale for some time. The books containing one-cent stamps have just been issued by the post office department.
Bids for Shade Trees.
The interests which Mr. J. Murray Africa represents are advertising for bids for shade trees to be planted on the streets of the town between Sunbury and Selingsgrove, which now exists only in the imagination.
Before Dalton.
Charles Switzer was arrested yesterday afternoon and given a hearing before Justice Dalton. He was intoxicated and is alleged to have abused his family. The affair was later settled, the defendant paying all costs.
Peter Vola, of Wilkes-Barre, who was rendered unconscious about a month ago by injuries sustained in a bar-room fight, died of his injuries on Monday, having never regained consciousness.
Samuel S. Martin, a former recorder of deeds of Lancaster county, died suddenly of apoplexy, at his home in Lancaster on Monday, aged 69 years. He was prominent in Republican politics for many years.