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ITEMS CONDENSED.

Roasting ears will soon be ripe. Some chaps who shift responsibility quite easily in this world are likely to find the whole assortment waiting for them across the Styx.

The man who knows all about his business at first hand is likely to succeed better than his more careless rival.

There are men and women in the world who have not yet learned the art of shutting a door.

Patriotism is worth anything more than a profession.

The song of the gospel worker in a big city often finds its way to some susceptible but perverse heart.

During the last twelve months there was an increase of 55,718 members added to the rolls of trade unions in Germany.

Splendid growing weather, nothing better could be asked for.

According to the bureau of commerce and labor the cost of living in the United States in 1906 was the highest in a period of 17 years.

Education can mightily help the lad who has brains, but it is powerless to develop what isn't there originally.

Greece is said to be the poorest country of Europe. Her total wealth amounts to \$1,000,000,000, or about half that of Switzerland.

Food valued at \$2,175 is brought into Great Britain every minute of the day and night.

The American sweet tooth during the past year consumed 6,500,000,000 pounds of sugar valued at \$300,000,000. This is 76 pounds per year for every resident.

The community that lacks enterprise will not prove a winner.

Selfishness is fatal to its victim's highest happiness.

The real hero is the boy or the man who declines to do wrong.

The burglar finds it hard to resist the invitation of the open door.

Those who read the advertisements know just where to go to purchase their goods.

Divorced people do not take much interest in family reunions.

This is fine growing weather. Heat and moisture are causing vegetation to rapidly catch up to the point where it should be at this season of the year.

It would be a joke if Japan were to fight us with the money she borrowed in this country.

It is evident enough that "the good old summer time" has arrived after all.

The biggest bass continues to bite with almost daily regularity. This, however, always was a feature of the fishing season.

At any rate we have heard few complaints about the dust nuisance lately.

It is reported that three members of the Pennsylvania Legislature have failed to appear and draw their salary and mileage.

The suicide mania threatens to become epidemic.

Perhaps if the children in the municipal play grounds were thoroughly sterilized they might be allowed to play kissing games.

Fruit growers who have a few cherries on their trees are not envying the multimillionaires just at present.

Everybody can run a ball team and a newspaper better than the manager.

The recent heavy rainfalls have acted as a sanitary agent, effectively flushing the pavements and the gutters.

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These are the days when the river coal man's job does not seem to be so much of a hardship.

Those who cultivate gardens and truck patches have a difficult time of it keeping down the weeds during this fine growing weather.

The only accident in the least serious which occurred in Danville on the Fourth of July befell the 9-year-old son of Edward Blee, Cross street. A giant cracker exploded prematurely, burning the boy painfully about the face and eyes. Dr. Newbaker rendered surgical aid.

Anthony Andrew, of Wilkes-Barre, wanted for shooting his wife and child, was found in the top of a tree on Monday, where he had been hiding for three days with nothing to eat or drink. He has been lodged in jail.

DRAINAGE FORMS A PROBLEM

Twenty-eight men, the highest number yet employed on North Mill street, were put to work by Contractor Rogers yesterday. Six two-horse teams and four carts are employed. As a result of the increased force the work of excavation yesterday received a fresh impetus and from now on more rapid progress will be made.

Iron pipe was delivered yesterday to be sunk under the paving to conduct to Mahoning creek the vast volume of surface water which pours down Center, Spruce, Hemlock, and Chambers streets during times of heavy rain. Owing to the lay of the land in that part of town the drainage forms a greater problem on North Mill street than was encountered when the borough paved the several squares south of Centre street.

It is planned to sink the pipe at the intersection of each street. At Center street where the accumulation of water has always caused more or less damage two pipes each 16 inches in diameter will be sunk under the paving, side by side, the aggregate length required being 48 feet. At the other streets pipe will be sunk as follows: Spruce street, 24 feet of 20-inch pipe; at Hemlock street, 24 feet of 24-inch pipe; at the grist mill, to drain Chambers street, 24 feet of 24-inch pipe. In addition, to accommodate the natural stream of water that flows through under North Mill street about midway a concrete culvert will be constructed. Just beyond the grist mill, where the macadam begins, 36 feet of 12-inch pipe will be sunk and just north of the railroad, 36 feet of 16-inch pipe.

Superintendent George M. West had a force of men at work on North Mill street yesterday sinking the gas pipe to a greater depth. At some places the street has been cut down two feet, which left the gas pipe exposed. The borough also finds it necessary to sink the water main to a greater depth to conform with the change of grade. At the concrete culvert eight-inch elbows will be necessary to sink the main to a sufficient depth.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT NOT FLATTERING

The report of Inspector General Frank G. Sweeney, of the National Guard, of the Spring inspections, was made public Tuesday. General Sweeney says that the infantry organizations are reported as having made little progress since last inspection. The inspectors attribute this largely to the fact that the individual soldier is not receiving either proper or thorough training in the primary drills—schools of the soldier and squad. Then too, they advise that the slim attendance at the weekly drills is in some degree accountable for this condition. They report further that the important subject of guard duty is being neglected. The artillery and cavalry arms of the service are reported as being in good form.

The highest rating in the guard, taking the "figure of efficiency" as the basis, is that of the First Troop, Philadelphia, with 99.47. The highest infantry is Company A, Twelfth regiment with 99.47. The highest infantry is Company A, Twelfth regiment with 99.47. Battery B ranks highest in artillery with 94.78, and Division A, of the naval force with 90.76.

ODD FELLOWS' PICNIC ON AUGUST 24TH

August 24th, and Columbia park is the time and place selected for the Odd Fellows' picnic embracing the counties of Montour and Columbia.

The picnic promises to be one of the most important and largely attended Odd Fellows' event that has ever taken place in either of the two counties. Grand Master, B. H. Hart of Harrisburg, will be present and deliver an address. The lodges of Danville, Bloomsburg, Berwick and Millville have each arranged to be present with a band. It is worthy of note that of the 137,600 Odd Fellows in Pennsylvania 2000 live in Montour and Columbia counties.

OUTING OF CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

The annual picnic of the congregation and Sunday school of the Mahoning Presbyterian church will be held at DeWitt's park tomorrow.

The picnic of this church and Sunday school is always sure of a large attendance and there is a good time for all. The old custom of maintaining a general table is adhered to, which imparts to the outing more than the usual degree of friendliness and good fellowship. The tables may be said to literally groan under the weight of good things, for the supply is always as abundant as it is choice.

Hacks will begin to run to the park at 8 a. m. There will be a hack at 12:15 and another at 2 p. m.

PLANNING TO SHIP JUMBO

Jumbo, the famous old elk at Billmeyer's park, which has several times undergone the operation of dehorning, will in all probability add to his varied experience by taking a trip to Philadelphia to attend the Elks' Renssion, which will be held at that place next week. There is nothing inviolable in the comparison to affirm that he will be the biggest elk of them all.

For several days past the publishers of the "North American," of Philadelphia have been negotiating with Mr. Billmeyer for the use of one of his elks during the reunion of the Elks. To learn something about the status of the proceedings, Mr. Billmeyer was called up Tuesday by phone. He said that he had been approached by persons acting in the interest of the "North American," who wanted to know if the elk could be procured to be exhibited as a feature during the week that the Elks will own the city.

Mr. Billmeyer stated that he had given a favorable reply. To crate the big animal may prove a task more or less difficult, but he was not prepared to say that it would not be feasible. If one of the elks went to the convention, Mr. Billmeyer was inclined to think that the honor would fall to Jumbo, which is a most interesting specimen of his kind, weighing eleven hundred pounds.

Whatever Jumbo's reputation for ferocity may be at certain seasons, he is amiable enough just at this time and it will not be until some three or four weeks later that he will begin to show signs of ill temper. Although he was deprived of his antlers last season he has grown a new set quite majestic in their proportions, towering nearly five feet above his head.

Whiting Allen, a representative of the "North American," was in this city yesterday afternoon on his way to Billmeyer's park to perfect plans for shipping the elk to Philadelphia. Mr. Allen stated that the Pennsylvania railroad company has agreed to transport the elk and to get him to the city within twenty-four hours after he is placed on the car.

The plan that Mr. Allen has in view is to use a platform car, confining the elk in a crate, which will enclose his body only, leaving his gigantic antlers protruding above the top. In this way the horns will be free and not in danger of being injured no matter how much the animal may throw his head about. Outside of the crate, around the edges of the car, it is proposed to erect a superstructure of some sort to screen the elk from the weather and the flying dust.

The elk will be placed on the 21st story of the "North American" building, where no doubt he will be viewed by many thousand persons during the week. On the day of the parade he will travel with the Elks through the city. The member from Billmeyer's park, however, will not trudge along on foot, as many may imagine, but will be drawn by horses in a specially designed truck.

BURIED FROM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The funeral of John Neale, whose death occurred Monday, took place at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the First Baptist church.

The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. John Sherman. Two selections—"Asleep in Jesus" and "Good Night"—were very impressively rendered by a quartette from the choir. The flowers were very beautiful. The pall bearers were: Thomas Bedea, Charles Johnston, Judson Still, Daniel Hoffner, David Reese and David Evans.

The following persons from out of town attended the funeral: Mrs. Daniel McCarty, of Fort Miller, New York, daughter of the deceased; Joseph Neale and wife of Williamsport; DeWitt Schlegel and family of Shamokin.

Commissioners Have Ordered Tags

The county commissioners on Saturday ordered tags to be used in marking dogs that have been assessed and on which tax has been paid in compliance with the new law enacted by the last legislature. The tags are expected to arrive in a few days.

The new law is already being enforced in many of our neighboring counties and citizens there who thought they were very skillful in keeping their dogs off the assessor's list are now paying the penalty in the loss of their dogs, which may be worthless or otherwise, but which nevertheless as likely as not are prized in the household. The reports from some neighboring towns reveal that scores of untagged dogs are being slaughtered.

Some street noises are revelations concerning the character of their authorities.

CONTRACT FOR COAL AWARDED

The contract for supplying the Danville school district with coal for the ensuing year was awarded to the East Boston Coal company at a regular meeting of the school board Monday. Its bid was declared the lowest, being \$3.25 for No. 2 or egg coal and \$1.65 for No. 6 or pea coal, which does not include the hauling.

Other bids were received as follows: Robert J. Pegg—No. 2, \$4.40; No. 6, \$3.00.

Frank Fry—No. 2, \$4.68; No. 6, \$3.40.

A. C. Amesbury—No. 2, \$4.99; No. 6, \$3.24.

Whitney & Kemmer—No. 2, \$3.35; No. 6, \$1.65.

Among the above bids the one from Frank Fry was the only bid that included the hauling.

Secretary Orth reported that each of the teachers elected at the previous meeting had signed a contract with the board.

On motion of Mr. Fischer it was ordered that the Friendship Fire company be awarded the contract for delivering the coal into the school buildings. The price to be paid is 25 cents per ton, while the shippers weight is to be strictly adhered to.

Mr. Fischer submitted a report of the committee on building and repairs to the school board, enumerating the alterations and repairs that it will be necessary to make in order to place the buildings in first class condition. The repairs needed are less extensive than were recommended during several years past.

On motion it was ordered that the report of the committee be accepted and the recommendations made be carried out.

On motion of Mr. Fischer it was ordered that the school taught by Miss Fry be removed from the upper story of the frame building in the Fourth ward and placed in one of the rooms of the brick building; also that the trees be trimmed which at present exclude the light.

The election of a teacher for the vacancy on Welsh Hill was considered by the board at some length, but it was finally deemed to postpone the election until the next meeting.

Under the head of new business the resignation of U. L. Gordy as borough superintendent of the schools was read by the secretary.

A discussion followed as to the advisability of accepting Mr. Gordy's resignation. Dr. Harpel put in a strong plea for retaining Mr. Gordy.

It was explained that he could be retained by granting him an advance of \$450 in salary. Mr. Fischer opposed such an advance and moved that Mr. Gordy's resignation be accepted.

The discussion, however, continued. Mr. Orth produced figures to show that through the closing of the fourth ward grammar schools and some increase of taxes, even by granting the advance to Mr. Gordy, there would be no increase in the burden of taxation.

When the vote was taken Mr. Orth called for a division. A yea and nay vote was taken to decide whether or not to accept Mr. Gordy's resignation with the following result:

Yeas—Burns, Pursel, Fischer, Fish, Cole, Heiss and Fonk.

Nays—Harpel, Swarts, Sechler, Redding, Cole, and Orth.

Mr. Gordy's resignation was therefore declared accepted.

Dr. Harpel immediately nominated Mr. Gordy for re-election at a salary of \$1850 per annum. Mr. Redding seconded the motion. A yea and nay vote was taken with the following result:

Yeas—Harpel, Swarts, Sechler, Redding, Cole, Fonk and Orth.

Nays—Burns, Pursel, Fischer, Fish and Heiss.

The president therefore declared Mr. Gordy elected as Borough Superintendent for the ensuing year.

Mr. Gordy immediately took the floor and stated that in view of the opposition to the advance of salary he did not feel that he could accept the position. Mr. Gordy's remarks had a manly and characteristic ring and the position he took called forth many compliments from the board.

On motion of Mr. Burns, it was ordered that Mr. Gordy's resignation be accepted.

HARMAN SPENT LESS THAN \$50

John G. Harman, of Bloomsburg, Democratic nominee for the office of State Treasurer, has filed in the office of the State Department, at Harrisburg, as required by law, a sworn statement, that it cost him less than \$50 to become the Democratic candidate to succeed Berry.

When interviewed about the matter yesterday morning, Mr. Harman stated that the nomination came to him, and that about the only expense money that he had to pay was car fare and traveling expenses.

PETITION PRESENTED TO COURT

The proposition to abolish the old cemetery on Bloom street and to transfer the site to the borough to be used as a public park was presented to court on Saturday. After presenting the petition the hearing was held as advertised. No opposition developed and as the law relating to the matter is very clear there seems to be no doubt but that the cemetery in due time will be a thing of the past.

Borough solicitor E. S. Gearhart on presenting the petition to the court for legal abandonment of the cemetery explained that the procedure was based on the acts of Assembly of 1874, 1876 and 1887, and cited authorities to show that the objections usually urged in such cases are without any legal force. He found abundant precedent to establish the fact that the owner of a lot in a cemetery merely purchases a grant or license to bury there, but does not become the owner of the soil. If, owing to the change of conditions, as in the present case, it becomes necessary to legally abandon the cemetery, the most that the lot owners can ask is sufficient notice that they may remove their dead, if they do not choose to leave that duty to the municipality that is proceeding to get rid of the cemetery.

Mr. Gearhart explained all the preliminary procedure showing that every requirement of the law in the premises had been complied with.

A number of witnesses were called, all agreeing that the cemetery is wholly neglected, that it is a nuisance and a detriment to the town; also that it is admirably suited for a public park and a possible site for a soldiers' monument, the erection of which is contemplated.

The first witness called was Dr. Jno Swetsfort, President of the borough council, and one of the officials of the Odd Fellows' cemetery. No bodies have been interred in the old cemetery for years; between 150 and 200 have been removed to the Odd Fellows' cemetery. Hundreds of the graves are unmarked and even the mounds are obliterated. It is overgrown with rough weeds and brush and has become a harbor for snakes and vermin.

W. J. Rogers, chief Burgess of Danville, was the next witness. He said that great holes and hollows are found in the cemetery where dead have been exhumed and that these have been partially filled up with castoff tin ware and rubbish of all sorts, making the spot a nuisance and a menace to public health. The spot is wet and springy; it is lower than the surrounding grounds, which makes the streets and alleys flanking it hard to keep in repair, as the water is bound to wash down into the cemetery. If filled up as proposed by the borough, it would make an ideal park.

E. S. Miller, street commissioner, was called. He has known the old cemetery for 60 years. When he was a boy it was no unusual thing to inter a bone on top of one already buried. He himself witnessed such burials. At present it would be impossible to find the graves of one-twentieth of those buried in the old cemetery. Where stones are still standing it frequently occurs that the inscriptions have become effaced by time. No bodies have been interred there in 12 or 15 years, at least.

Dr. P. C. Newbaker, president of the local board of health, was the next witness. He described the general condition of the cemetery and said that from a physician's view point it is a menace to the public health.

Alex Foster, secretary of the board of trustees of the Mahoning Presbyterian English congregation north, which has petitioned the court for the legal abandonment of the old cemetery, explained that trees have been planted among the graves and what else has been done in an effort to keep the old burial ground as presentable as possible.

Thomas J. Rogers, one of the trustees, was the next witness. The burial of dead has been prohibited there for years, he said.

W. L. McClure, another trustee, testified that the old cemetery has become the dumping ground for all sorts of refuse, including dead cats and the like. There are tomb stones to be found in the cemetery over 100 years old. Three or four generations are buried there. Citing as authority an old sexton now deceased, he said in some of the graves there are as many as three bodies, buried successively.

John Doster, the funeral director, gave some interesting testimony. With in the last few weeks he has removed bodies buried some 20 years ago. Nothing remained of the coffins; only the bones and in some instances only fragments of these were to be found. Recently he was obliged to abandon search for bodies, as they could not be found, having evidently mingled with the dust. It is an utter impossibility to find any of the remains except in a

SHORT SESSION OF COUNCIL

The borough council held a regular meeting Friday night. The session was short and only a limited volume of business was disposed of. There was a much smaller attendance than is customary, the following members being present: Swetsfort, Finnigan, Everhart, Dietz, Russell, Deutsch, Angle, Schatz and Pursel.

The treasurer's report revealed that the borough needs money to conduct its affairs. Mr. Finnigan said that he had a talk with the tax collector and that he found that money would be available in a short time. On motion it was ordered that the clerk approach property owners who owe the borough for paving with a view of raising money.

Mr. Everhart reported that there are several bad places on East Market street where the mud at times of rain lies six or eight inches deep. On motion it was ordered that the section of the street complained of be scraped by the street commissioner.

Mr. Finnigan reported that Ferry street between Bloom and Center streets is likewise in a bad condition and he asked that it be scraped and covered with a course of limestone. The matter was referred to the committee on streets and bridges they to report at next meeting.

Mr. Everhart of the committee on streets and bridges reported that West Mahoning street at the lower end is in a very bad condition owing to a insufficient drainage. On motion it was ordered that the street be drained by laying a pipe to communicate with Mahoning creek and that the lower section of the street be filled up.

On motion P. J. Keefer, superintendent of sewers, was instructed to make a tour of the borough to determine where nuisances exist. Wherever he finds wash water or other objectionable matter in the gutters he is to instruct the property owners to connect with the sewer or to abate the nuisance in some other way.

Borough Electrician Jones presented his statement for June. There were 51½ tons of coal at \$2.50 per ton consumed amounting to \$128.75. The total cost of operating the plant during the month was \$377.48. The plant was in operation 230 hours.

ENCOURAGING TRADE REVIEW

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Gillaspie House Changes Hands.

That Danville is by no means at a standstill is quite manifest from the change in real estate ownership, which periodically takes place. On Saturday the Ostrander real estate agency transferred S. M. Dietz's cozy home on East Market street to James V. Gillaspie and the popular old hostelry known as the Gillaspie house at Mill and Front streets to S. M. Dietz, who will continue business at the stand, keeping a first class house. Mr. Gillaspie will retire to his newly purchased home on Front street.

All credit is due those who assisted in bringing about paved streets, sewers, municipal light plant, improved streets and roads leading to the country, removing the old canal bridges, encouraging the trolley lines and securing more funds for the hospital for the insane, all of which have increased the importance of our town and enhanced the value of real estate.

Under the new order it is noticed that where money was formerly permitted to lie idle by people who feared to invest, it is now, owing to the increased faith in our town and its resources, diligently seeking investment.

Congregation Out of Debt.

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MOCK THE LEPER EXAMINED

Dr. William M. Welch, chief diagnostician of the Philadelphia Bureau of Health, went to Harrisburg on Tuesday and during the afternoon State Health Commissioner Dixon escorted him to the Sanitary Hospital, near the almshouse, to see Mock, the Chinaman supposed to have leprosy.

No developments in the case of the unfortunate patient occurred that day. The bacteriological examination is now being made at the laboratories of the Department of Health at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Herbert Fox is doing this work under the direction of Dr. Dixon. Until the result is announced it will not be certain whether the Chinaman actually has leprosy or not.

Sixty Members Will Attend.

Danville lodge B. P. O. E. of this city, will be represented at the big meeting of Elks in Philadelphia next week by some sixty members. Preparations are quietly on foot and those who are planning to attend are looking forward to a very pleasant time.

The members of Danville lodge will not participate in the great parade and therefore will not go with specially purchased uniforms and special banner.

They have made arrangements for a special car, which will carry them all the way to Philadelphia. On the car the sixty members will expend their ingenuity and artistic taste, and what its decorations may be like, at this date there is no telling.

W. W. Gulick of the south side represents the local lodge in the grand lodge of Elks. In regard to the issue relating to the elk's tooth before the convention, it is said that Mr. Gulick, obedient to instructions will not vote to discard the elk's tooth as a lodge badge, although he will vote in support of any measure to protect elks from further slaughter for the sake of their teeth.

A Camping Party.

A jolly fishing party composed of William Spade, Thompson Jenkins, William Jordan, Jr., James Gulliver, John Jenkins, Chaucey Hollister, R. N. Lyons, W. H. Jenkins, and Harry Farley have returned home from several day's angling on the Chillisquaque with some 250 pounds of fish and a number of fine frogs.

Mr. Spade, proprietor of Hotel Trainor, was caterer for the camp. The entire party acknowledge themselves as much indebted to his hospitality and state that they enjoyed themselves immensely.