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ITEMS CONDENSED.

The sermon which grips one and refuses to let go is a success. The man who abuses another for defending the law is an anarchist. The long-expected message from Mars has not yet arrived. There is a difference in one's plans when somebody else has to pay the bills. Even in a country like this the law needs to be constantly vigilant. Honesty does not always pose before the public eye. The lodge is a useful institution, but the home is better. Somebody has counted the laws enacted by the New York Legislature during its recent session, and finds there are 761 of them. The girl who speaks insolently to her mother may repent in sackcloth and ashes when her own child imitates her ugly example. Black hand outrages are becoming entirely too frequent in this country. It is in order to put the black cap over the head of some of the fiends. The most good natured of public servants sometimes find themselves tempted to momentary silliness. Men are tested in the fires of temptation in strict accordance with the great law of the survival of the morally fittest. Liberty is worthless unless it be regulated by wise laws. Obedience to parents is a virtue all children should practice. The parent who wishes to be respected must be respectable. The electric fluid is getting in its deadly work these days. The wise wife treats her husband as though he were a great man. There are 26,000 letters posted without addresses in England every year. New York City is now growing at the rate of about 415 persons each day. Science has cut down the diphtheria mortality in a few years from fifty to ten per cent. The average weight of a pair of elephant tusks is 180 pounds, but a single tusk has been known to weigh 300 pounds. Experiments are being made with brown sugar which is said to increase the adhesive properties of mortar greatly. Equal parts of sand and lime are mixed. General Grant and P. A. Collins are among those Americans who have enjoyed the freedom of the city of Dublin, a distinction recently conferred on Richard Croker of Tammany Hall fame. The town of Arson, Sweden, is without taxes. The necessary revenues are derived from a forest reservation. The Austrian salt mine at Wieliczka has 600 miles of galleries and 9,000 miners. It has been worked for six centuries. As near as can be ascertained the unappropriated and unreserved public lands of this country amounts to 792,335,707 acres. Four thousand graves in South Africa of British soldiers who fell in the late war still remain unmarked. Vienna has only 39 inhabitants to the acre, the city ground, comprising 42,503 acres and the population being 1,675,000. From Puy de Dome, an extinct volcano, in France carbolic acid is procured for commercial purposes. A little thing like a million dollar fire is merely an advertisement for Coney Island. The ruins will rise more attractive than ever. Statistics show that train wrecking does not pay. Railroad wrecking usually does, but requires larger capital than the train wreckers can command. This is the season for furniture sales. A seat on the New York Stock Exchange has just been sold for the bargain price of \$71,500. Mrs. Howard Nagle, of Reading, early on Monday morning jumped out of bed, screamed "fire" and leaped out of a second story window to the pavement below, sustaining severe jars and bruises. She said she had dreamed the house was on fire. A couple of thieves stopped for a short time on Saturday night at the hotel of E. W. Kerr, at Cambridge Springs, Crawford county, and on Monday Mr. Kerr was in Pittsburgh trying to locate and recover about \$2,000 worth of diamonds that disappeared with the transient guests.

RESIGNS AS SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Dr. F. E. Harpel, member of the Danville school board from the first ward, has tendered his resignation to take effect immediately. Certain complications have arisen incidental to the change of borough superintendents, which have made a further continuance in the office distasteful to the doctor.

Dr. Harpel tendered his resignation to the president of the school board yesterday. Inasmuch however, as he is chairman of a committee and the next meeting of the board will not be held until nearly two weeks later he decided to make the fact public at once to the end that people may be spared the trouble of calling upon him to no purpose on matters pertaining to the schools.

Dr. Harpel has been a member of the Danville school board for eight years. He had but one year more of the present term to serve. A man of fine attainments, a believer in the common schools, broad minded and progressive, honest in his convictions and possessing courage to express them, he had few equals as a school director and was a force in the local school board, to which is to be attributed more or less directly the steady and marked improvement of the schools during the last half a dozen years.

Dr. Harpel was one of the first to take up Borough Superintendent Gordy's recommendation that music be introduced into the public schools. He worked hard and in the face of opposition to secure its adoption and to no one more than himself is due credit for the fact that music today holds a place in the curriculum.

Later, when Superintendent Gordy recommended that a commercial department be established in the high school, Dr. Harpel was one of the first to give the proposition due consideration. Once satisfied as to its feasibility and the extent to which it would aid in equipping the graduates for the actual work of life he became its warmest advocate both in the school board and outside of it. No one will deny that it was in no small measure through his advocacy as well as by his vote that the commercial department, now the most practical feature and the pride of the local high school, became an accomplished fact.

WILL INSTALL A LAVATORY SYSTEM

The school board of the borough has decided to install a modern lavatory system in the fourth ward school building to take the place of the more antiquated dry closet system which has done service for some years. The installing of an entirely new system has become unavoidable, as the old, which was originally a part of the Smead and Wells system, or is practically identical with it, is worn out and is entirely useless. Not only has it been the source of endless trouble to the school board of late, but by reason of its failure to work properly it has proven to be a great annoyance to the neighborhood and has caused much complaint.

The school directors feel that the old system has not yielded the amount of service that they had a right to expect of it and they are willing to make an experiment with something entirely new. The committee examined the different systems but could find nothing that impressed it so favorably as the automatic flush system. It therefore selected a system of this kind, which will be installed before the opening of the schools. Where this system is employed the cost is generally much enhanced by the great quantity of water that is needed. The local schools, however, have the advantage of being located in a town where the municipality controls the water and it has already been determined that special rates can be procured.

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NEW BRIDGE AT EXCHANGE

William Buchanan, of the well-known firm of bridge builders, Chambersburg, was in this city yesterday looking after business.

The county commissioners contemplate building a modern bridge over Mud run near Exchange to replace the old fashioned wooden concern, which is about worn out.

The proposed bridge will be of concrete and will embrace large wing-walls. The floor will be covered with paving blocks instead of plank as at present.

Improvements. S. W. Arms is improving the home of Miss Ella Curtis, Front street, with a coat of paint. A fine concrete sidewalk is being laid in front of the home of Walter Russell, Front street.

TEN DAYS ON BREAD AND WATER

William Kelly imbibed too freely yesterday and became drunk to which he added the offense of fighting. His experiences were varied and he wound up by going to the borough bastille for ten days, his fare meanwhile to be bread and water.

Kelly was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Chief-of-Police Mince-mover and was charged with drunkenness, disorderly conduct and fighting. He was arraigned during the afternoon before Justice of the Peace Dalton.

The evidence showed that the defendant about 7 o'clock yesterday morning was lying near Bloch & Benzbach's Pants factory, presumably very much intoxicated. Michael Rafferty, a fellow boarder with Kelly, came along and kindly stopped to assist him on his way. He was in the act of helping Kelly to arise when the latter, who seemed to be in pretty good condition, turned on the man who wanted to help him and beat him unmercifully. It was rumored last evening that Rafferty was in a bad way as the result of his pummeling.

The justice imposed the usual fine for drunkenness, disorderly conduct and fighting, which with the accrued costs amounted to fifteen dollars. The defendant failed to produce the cash and in default he was committed to the borough lock-up for ten days. A bread and water diet will add to the rigors of the long confinement in the "bastille".

The defendant was determined to be game and as he entered upon his imprisonment he reminded the officers that they would find him a "true sport" and that he would serve his time.

LOCATING THE RELATIVES

Quite an interesting meeting was held in council chamber Tuesday night for the purpose of obtaining data to assist the committee in finding survivors of the dead lying in the old cemetery.

The request that as many old residents as possible attend the meeting was not very generally responded to. E. C. Voris, J. R. Patton and D. L. Bloom were the only ones present old enough to have much knowledge of those who were buried in the cemetery during the first half of the last century.

Through these gentlemen a great deal of practical information was derived. One after another the names were called off the list as compiled by the committee on its visit to the cemetery last Friday night, each one in turn being discussed. In the majority of instances some one present was able to recall the family and locate some of the survivors.

As the names of several local celebrities of the olden time were read off the gentlemen present became reminiscient and many interesting anecdotes were related.

Daniel Cameron, it was recalled, was a brother of the late Simon Cameron. His farm was situated on the south side and comprised the present site of Mr. Hartman's new silk mill. He was a member of the State legislature and it is said that he used to go to Harrisburg on a raft and, after the session of legislature was over, he would walk home. Calvin Cameron of Valley township and William Cameron of Lewisburg were brothers of Daniel Cameron.

William D. Clark was a Revolutionary soldier. Joseph R. Patton recalled attending the veteran's funeral when the former was a small boy. It was a distinguished event, the funeral being conducted with military honors. Thomas Ellis was recalled as a post master in the early days of the town.

A SPECTACULAR COLLISION

A collision between two bicycles occurred on Front street, Monday evening, which shows that care and attention is necessary on the part of cyclists as well as automobilists, if they wish to escape danger.

Constable W. E. Young was riding his wheel on Front street, while Ralph Chapman was coming down Mill street. The latter, who was running at a pretty high rate of speed, swung around the corner into East Front street just as Constable Young reached the same spot. Whether one of the wheelmen, or both, were inattentive has not been explained, but there was a dreadful collision, the sudden impact hurling each cyclist from his wheel.

Neither of the men were much injured, but those who witnessed the affair and saw each of the two fly forward as though shot out of a catapult would not have been surprised if both had been killed. Mr. Chapman's wheel lost several spokes, but beyond this neither bicycle was much damaged.

A LONG WALK IN STOCKING FEET

Between 12 and 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon much curiosity was aroused in town by seeing a workman—who was recognized as Clark Hunter—walk up Mill street accompanied by an individual in his stocking feet.

The general appearance of the shoeless individual together with the close watch maintained over him by Mr. Hunter was sufficient to suggest that the man was an escaped lunatic, and when the two turned up East Market street there was no doubt in the minds of people that the man in custody was a patient who had escaped from the hospital for the insane.

It was later learned that the patient was one who escaped while employed in hoing corn on the hospital farm yesterday morning. It is seldom that insane men attempt to escape by breaking away from their fellows while in the fields, being more likely to resort to stratagem, which often reveals the deepest and most subtle cunning.

Tuesday, however, seems to have been an exception. The attendant apprehending no such attempt to escape, had all the men in his charge that he could handle. Therefore, when the patient made a dash for freedom he found himself in a manner helpless. To have pursued the man would have been to have left the rest at the mercy of any caprice or vagary that might seize their mind. The best the attendant could do was to take care of those he had and trust that the runaway might fall into good hands.

The wisdom of his course is illustrated by the fact that the patient was captured before noon. Before proceeding very far the insane man took off his shoes and threw them away. Proceeding in his stocking feet he became a very conspicuous object and as soon as he arrived in the vicinity of Bloom road he was sized up as an escaped patient and taken in charge by Mr. Eunter.

While in this city he did not show the least inclination to resist but quite good naturedly treated along with the captor, not unlike one who was enjoying the novelty of the experience.

REMODELLING BANK BUILDING

The First National bank building at the corner of Mill and Bloom streets, which has been remodeled many times in its history, is undergoing alterations at present, which will materially enlarge the banking apartments.

The new annex at the rear contains the stairway leading to the residence portion of the building occupied by W. L. McClure. The new stairway makes it possible to dispense with the original stairs on the north side of the building opening on Bloom street.

Workmen are employed on this part of the building and have the flight of steps entirely removed. The brick wall shutting off the hallway from the banking room will be next torn down, which will throw the two apartments into one, enlarging the space in the corridor by one third or more.

In addition, the stairs on the north side leading from the banking room to the second story will be removed. The space gained at this point will be added to the directors' room. As a cap sheaf of the improvement two large windows will be broken into the wall on the north side of the building to admit more light into the first story.

END OF FOREFINGER PINCHED OFF

D. M. Shaler, under whose supervision the new machinery is being installed at the Haney-Frazier milling plant at South Danville, is nursing a very sore hand as the result of a bad accident sustained on Tuesday.

He was adjusting the new engine when the index finger of the left hand was caught in the valve gear. In an instant the end of his finger was pinched off near the first joint.

Mr. Shaler stated yesterday that the pain was excruciating, his suffering the first night after the accident, especially, being most intense.

Mr. Shaler is incapacitated for work, which is unfortunate, as his services are indispensable just now in getting the new plant ready for operation.

Dog Had Rabies. A rabid dog near Coatesville bit its master, George Worrall, and his 6-year-old daughter and then ran to the Sweeney farm, near by, and bit ten hogs, a cow, six geese and three dogs. The animals were all killed except the geese, which will be watched to see whether they will develop rabies. Mr. Worrall and little daughter have entered a Pasteur Institute at Phoenixville, for treatment.

A CARPENTER'S HEADLONG PLUNGE

John L. Russell, councilman from the first ward, met with a serious fall about 8:30 o'clock Monday morning, while working at a dwelling which is being remodeled by Walter Gaskins on West Mahoning street.

Mr. Russell, who is a carpenter, along with Ira Stetler, was working on a scaffold about twelve feet from the ground on the west side of the building. The two men stood facing each other, when Mr. Russell happened to step backward, which threw his weight onto the end of the scaffold next to West Mahoning street.

As the sequel showed the support of the scaffold was not strong enough. The crosspiece on which the plank rested gave way where nailed to the house, the nail heads having worked through the wood. With a loud crash the wide board on which the carpenter stood, dropped some 3 1/2 feet, where it lodged on the next cross piece, fastened to the upright post on one side and the dwelling on the other.

As the scaffold gave way Mr. Stetler saved himself by grasping a support, but Mr. Russell, who stood near the end, fell backwards over the slanting board and went down to the ground head first. A couple ladies on the street were eye witnesses of the accident and their cries soon brought several men to the spot.

In a very brief interval Drs. Newbaker and Curry responded to a call. The man lay quite unconscious, where he had fallen, between the two houses. As is well known Mr. Russell is a man of heavy build and this circumstance together with his manner of falling and the nature of the spot on which he alighted made it very bad for him and points to the probability of serious injury.

He was carried into the house, but it was not until some time later that he regained consciousness. Dr. Newbaker, who gave the man an examination, discovered that no bones were broken. On his right shoulder was a very painful contusion caused by striking the edge of the veranda floor, which was the cause of the contact which was such as to break the edge of the inch board, which protruded slightly over the bottom frame. There was also a laceration of the right elbow, caused by his arm striking a projecting nail as he fell, which the physician was obliged to stitch. There was also a contusion on the right knee.

The injured man was removed to his home on Cedar street, where at last accounts he was resting pretty easily. It was a little too early Monday to determine for a certainty whether or not there were internal injuries. The effects of the shock, however, were very serious and even if nothing worse should develop it will be some time before the man will be about again.

MANY WENT TO EAGLES MERE

The Reading yesterday ran its popular excursion to Eagles Mere, and as usual the crowd from Danville was very large. 147 tickets were sold at the station in this city.

The special left here at 7:12 with about twelve passenger coaches and 500 people on board. Many took luncheon with them, and the crowd at the station looked the part of festive excursionists on pleasure bent.

The train arrived at Eagles Mere shortly after nine and left there on the return trip at 6 o'clock.

GOSPEL MEETINGS IN THE JAIL

The Y. M. C. A. has embarked on a work that is somewhat unique in this city. For several weeks past gospel meetings have been held each Sunday in the county jail, and the efforts of those in charge are meeting with a most encouraging degree of success.

On Sunday the address was made by General Secretary Bernhard and excellent music was rendered by the Trinity M. E. choir. Two of the prisoners have asked for prayers and have stated that they intend leading a new life. The meetings are proving a pleasant diversion to the prisoners, who look forward to the occasions.

Edward F. Reynolds in Danville.

Edward F. Reynolds, who for some years past has been in the United States navy, arrived in this city Sunday evening for a visit at the home of his mother, Mrs. Susanna Reynolds, Mill street.

Until quite a recent date Mr. Reynolds was on board the Princeton. He has lately returned from Central American waters.

Mr. Reynolds spent some time at his old home in this city about two years ago. His visit at that time followed an absence of about six years during which he had visited Japan and many other foreign countries.

TRI-COUNTY FARMERS' PICNIC

The Tri-County Farmers' Picnic association held its final meeting at the court house Saturday for the purpose of making arrangements for the annual outing, which will be held at DeWitt's Park on Wednesday, August 21st. The tri-county picnic, which with each succeeding year, has been growing in size and importance, if the present extensive and well-laid plans count for anything, will this season be an unusually large affair and will do full credit to the prosperous agricultural communities embraced in the three counties of Montour, Northumberland and Columbia.

The meeting Saturday was held in the grand jury room and was called to order by the chairman, County Commissioner George M. Leighow. B. L. Diehl, the secretary of the association, had charge of the minutes. Other active workers of the association present were: James Shultz, J. O. Warner, M. L. Schram, William Curry, John Eckert, Hon. L. W. Welliver, Jacob Shultz, I. C. Yeager, W. V. Oglesby, Esq., Michael Breckbill, Charles V. Amerman, Esq., and George Barnhart.

The object of the meeting was to discuss methods of conducting the picnic and the features to be introduced as well as to appoint committees to carry out the plans decided upon. An abundance of music is regarded as the great essential and in addition to a good orchestra for dancing, one band, at least, will be employed to discourse music for the assemblage. There is some sentiment in the association in favor of employing two bands of music the Mechanicsville band and the Exchange band.

On motion of B. L. Diehl it was ordered that an admission fee of five cents be charged every adult attending the picnic.

On motion of W. V. Oglesby it was ordered that gambling devices of all sorts be excluded from the grounds.

While distinctively a farmers picnic and while it is desirable that farmers should predominate in the attendance yet the association wants it distinctly understood that the general invitation extended takes in the townspeople as well as farmers and all who desire to picnic at the grove on that day will be welcome. On motion, however, it was decided to extend a special invitation to the judges, and the representatives of the three counties and the senator of the district.

DeWitt's park in its entirety has been leased for the day. This of course gives the association control of the base ball grounds, which will be used by the picnickers for a ball game and for other sports.

The following committees were appointed:

On Grounds—George M. Leighow, James Shultz, and J. O. Warner. On music—Hon. L. W. Welliver, M. H. Schram and C. V. Amerman, Esq. On Amusements—Benjamin L. Diehl, Jacob Shultz, W. V. Oglesby. Auditors—Charles Rishel, Elmer Sider, and John Eckert.

In the matter of reception it was on motion decided that on the day of the outing the entire association should resolve itself into a committee of the whole and that each one individually should do all in his power to welcome those attending the picnic.

MERCHANTS WILL PLAY WHITE HORSE

The Merchants and the White Horse team got together yesterday and arranged a game in quick order. Both sides were eager to test their mettle, and without much loss of breath the time, place and all the preliminaries were quickly decided upon.

The game will begin promptly at 6 o'clock tonight at DeWitt's park. As per the terms of the challenge and acceptance the teams will play for the gate receipts and a side bet of \$25. The amount at stake and the rivalry between the two teams augurs well for an extremely hot contest.

Captain Law, of the White Horse team and Captain Lawrence of the merchants last evening agreed upon the following line-ups for the game: White Horse—J. Buck, left; Law, first; Keeler, second; Nevius, short; Ed Buck, third; Bookmiller, center; Fetter, right; McCloud and Haney, pitchers, Ammerman, catcher. Merchants—Bell, catcher; Harry Lawrence, pitcher; Art Lawrence, third; Curry, first; Diehl, short; Oberdorf, center; Shannon, right; Douglas, second; Gosh, left.

Stealing Fruit.

Chief Mince-mover is after the boys who are in the habit of pilfering apples, berries &c., from the yards of residences. The fruit is scarcely ripe yet, but the thieving has become as great a nuisance as ever. The chief declares that he will arrest the boys and hold them for larceny.

DIEFFENBACHER ELECTED SUP'T

The school board of the borough met in convention Monday evening for the purpose of electing a borough superintendent to succeed U. L. Gordy, who resigned.

On motion of Mr. Fischer it was ordered that the salary of the borough superintendent be one hundred dollars per month for the unexpired term.

The committee on teachers and certificates reported that obedient to instructions from the board it had carefully examined the applications and had selected the following as worthy of special consideration: J. W. Jones, of Newcomerstown, O., Prof. H. H. Webber, of Jersey Shore, D. N. Dieffenbacher, of this city, and W. S. Robinson, of Shamokin.

The secretary presented college diplomas and other certificates of qualification relating to the applicants, as well as a large number of flattering endorsements from prominent people interested in school work.

After some time spent in discussing the relative qualifications of the applicants Mr. Sechler nominated J. W. Jones; Mr. Heiss nominated H. H. Webber; Mr. Redding, W. S. Robinson, and Mr. Cole, D. N. Dieffenbacher. A vote was taken, which resulted as follows:

Jones—Pursel, Harpel, Swank, Burns, and Sechler. Dieffenbacher—Orth, Fish, Foulk, Fischer, and Cole. Robinson—Redding. Webber—Heiss.

A second vote gave Jones 5, Dieffenbacher 6 and Robinson 1. The third vote resulted in the election of Dieffenbacher and was as follows:

Jones—Pursel, Harpel, Swank, Burns and Sechler. Dieffenbacher—Orth, Redding, Fish, Fischer, Foulk, Heiss and Cole.

Another ballot was taken for the purpose of making the election unanimous. The motion failed to carry, however, Dr. Harpel and W. A. Sechler declining to vote.

CLAM LAWN EUCHE and a DANCE

Miss Bertha Cloud Monday evening charmingly entertained a number of her friends at a lawn euche followed by a dance.

The occasion was very prettily arranged and most unique. The lawn at the Cloud home was decorated with colors and illuminated with Japanese lanterns, and with the daintily attired guests resembled a fairyland. During the evening refreshments were served.

Miss Cloud's guests were Misses Ethel Price and Eleanor Hoskins, of New York City; Miss Beatrice Buley, of Syracuse, New York; Miss Ruth Hoover, of Shamokin; Misses Margaret Sider, Marguerite Evans, Florence Price and Marion Jones; Messrs. Tom Foltz, William Jones, James Kase, Harry Orth, Harry Woods, Robert Jacobs, Edward Price, Arthur Reifensnyder, William Hancock and Harold McClure.

ENGINE FAMINE ON THE PENNSY

The Sunbury officials of the Pennsylvania railroad state that the greatest problem which now confronts them is to properly handle the immensely increasing traffic of the road. There seems to be an engine famine in Sunbury with no relief in sight.

The movement of coal over the Pennsylvania this year has been the largest in the history of the company. The current report shows a total fuel movement east of Pittsburgh of 31,000,000 tons against 26,000,000 tons in the same period of 1906. The passenger traffic of the Pennsylvania in July was remarkably heavy. The Elks' convention in Philadelphia added greatly to local passenger travel, and the summer excursion business, which had been somewhat slack earlier in the season, has materially improved.

Instances have been reported quite recently of delays in assembling passenger equipment for special excursions for want of engines, which did not reach the starting point in time to be available for such excursions en route, because of being compelled to substitute at the last moment a slow-running freight engine for the fast passenger locomotive.

Clam Bake.

A party of good fellows held a clam bake at Roaring creek yesterday. In the company were: J. H. Brugler, Major C. P. Gearhart, George W. Sonneborne, W. G. Pursel, J. C. Peiffer, Frank C. Angle, J. H. Cole, Thomas G. Vincent, W. A. Sechler, John Eisenhart, Samuel Rehman, W. L. Sider, Ralph Kiser, Harry Ellenberger, A. J. Leniger, W. E. Gosh, of this city; A. L. Canfield, of New York; John Lane of Kemmerer, Wyoming; Alex. Scheinert, of Philadelphia.