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ITEMS CONDENSED.

The wings of a fly in flight move 350 times a second. Spain leads in the production of lead. Germany is second. French mints coined \$894,000 of Swiss coins during 1906. A cannon report has been heard as far as 146 miles. The olive trees on the Mount of Olives have been destroyed by tourists. Russia celebrates 86 general holidays each year. Singleness of aim is essential to perfect success. City air contains 14 times as many microbes as that of the country. Good common sense is often a more valuable possession than genius. There are 44,000 abstainers in the English army. It is the wise man who agrees with his wife rather than argue with her. The man who thinks the world is growing worse imagines he is growing better. It is only a matter of time until the man with the borrowing habit runs out of friends. A stiff upper lip has nothing in common with a limber tongue. Too many dollars in a man's pocket have been known to crowd the sense from under his hat. Some men rob widows and orphans and then try to square themselves by giving ten per cent to the Lord. Even a hungry man draws the line at eating his own words. Railway engines which were built in England over 50 years ago, are still in use on the Swedish lines. The sum of life is made up of present deeds. A man who always pays cash seldom owes an apology. Wisdom does not always walk in the world's broad highway. The temperance wave continues to sweep over the southland. Thanksgiving's approach stimulates the usual tales of a turkeyless land. The good teacher is patient, comprehending and kind. Many of the accumulations of this life are worthless. Success is not always what the average man supposes it to be. No harm comes to the individual from total abstinence. The rights of boys and girls are as sacred as those of adults. The proper thing to do with your currency is to keep it moving. The great Lick telescope will pick out a star so small that it would require 30,000 of them put together to be visible to the naked eye. The United States Government is the largest individual purchaser of electric lamps in this country. It buys \$50,000 annually. The one thousandth anniversary of the founding of St. Peter's Church, Chester, England, finds the structure in good condition, portions of it having been built in 1440 and 1673. Gold is nearly twice as heavy as silver; thus a cubic foot of the former weighs 1,210 pounds, and the same quantity of the latter 635 pounds. Consul General Miller reports that a census of Yokohama, taken on March 31, shows a population of 359,862 residents in that leading Japanese port. In South Australia it costs the railway companies \$80,000 a year to remove the vegetation that grows on the permanent ways. In all France there are only 1,100 persons who are millionaires in our sense of the word (in dollars). Of millionaires in francs there are about 15,000, apart from the 1,100 already counted. Sir William Treloar, retiring lord mayor of London, signaled his administration by the successful effort to raise \$300,000 with which to establish a home and a school for the young cripples of London. In France there are 6,000,000 smokers. Of every 15 there are eight who smoke a pipe, five who smoke cigars, and only two who are cigaret smokers. Out in Minneapolis the brewers have taken the ground that licenses are personal property, for the reason that they are transferrable, and are posting chattel mortgages on some of the licenses.

MAY CROSS D. L. & W. AT GRADE

Judge Evans Saturday handed down an opinion and decree relative to the holdup of the Danville and Bloomsburg Street railway at the crossing of the D. L. & W. railroad on Mill street in the borough of Danville. The preliminary injunction was dissolved and the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway company was given the right to cross the roadway and track of the D. L. & W. Railroad company at grade. The parties in litigation are, plaintiff, D. L. & W. Railroad company; defendants, Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway company and W. F. Pascoe, C. E. Lippe, W. C. Billman and R. E. Koch doing business under the firm name of the Standard Construction company. The testimony in the case was taken on the hearing of the rule to dissolve the preliminary injunction. Counsel for the parties had agreed that the court should dispose of the case as if the preliminary injunction had been continued until final hearing and the testimony had been taken on final hearing. Anticipating that an opinion relating to the D. L. & W. crossing matter would be handed down a large number of interested persons assembled at the court house Saturday morning. It was nearly 11 o'clock before Judge Evans took up the matter of the crossing. During the three years past in which the Danville and Bloomsburg cars have been held up by the D. L. & W. railroad company developments relating to the disputed crossing on Mill street have been watched with absorbing interest by the public. Judge Evans had not proceeded very far with the very exhaustive opinion before the trend of sentiment might have been discerned. One by one he took up the propositions advanced by the two sides; as he "affirmed" or "denied" it became pretty clear that in the court's opinion it did not appear reasonably practicable to build an overhead crossing on Mill street nor to re-locate the track on Ferry street nor on the alley between the latter thoroughfare and Mill street as was advanced by the plaintiff at the hearing. DECREE. And now Nov. 9th, 1907 the cause having come on to be heard and having been argued by counsel upon consideration thereof it is ordered, adjudged and decreed as follows: First. That it is not reasonably practicable in the construction and operation of the street railway of the Danville and Bloomsburg street railway company upon Mill street in the borough of Danville at a point where the track crosses the track of the plaintiff's railroad to avoid a grade crossing. Second. That the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway company be given permission and the right to construct and operate its street railway on said Mill street across the roadway and track of the D. L. & W. Railroad company at the grade thereof, subject, however, to the payment of such damages as the plaintiff company may sustain arising from the negligence of the defendant street railway company in the construction and operation of such crossing when the same may be properly ascertained. Third. That the preliminary injunction heretofore granted be dissolved. Fourth. That both the construction and the proper repair of the crossing be made at the proper cost and charges of the defendant street railway company all under the supervision of the plaintiff's engineer. Fifth. That upon the approach of any of the defendant company's cars to the crossing the car shall come to a full stop at least fifty feet from the crossing and the conductor shall go forward upon the track of the plaintiff's railroad and the car shall not go forward until the conductor gives the proper signal. Sixth. That the defendant street railway company shall maintain and operate an approved system of electric signals, which will indicate upon Mill street by the ringing of a bell in the day time and by a colored light at night the approach of trains on the plaintiff's railroad at any point within 500 feet both east and west of Mill street. Seventh. That the costs of the proceedings shall be paid by the defendant street railway company. By the Court, CHARLES C. EVANS, P. J.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Fire insurance to the amount of \$36,200 was renewed on the school buildings Monday night. Mr. Orth explained that the total insurance carried on the five buildings, including that of Welsh hill, is fifty thousand dollars, thirty-six thousand, two hundred dollars of which runs out during the present month and next. The \$36,200 insurance which expires represents the policies of some half a dozen companies, each of which has local agents. On motion of Mr. Fischer the secretary was instructed to renew the policies in the same insurance companies. Borough Superintendent Dieffenbach presented his report for October. The total number of pupils in attendance was, boys, 558; girls, 597; total, 1155. Average attendance, boys, 528; girls, 554; total, 1082. Percentage of attendance, girls, 95; boys, 95; average, 95. Number of pupils not absent during term till date, 529; number of pupils not tardy during term to date, 905. Number of pupils who have not attended 75 per cent. of time belonged, 22; number of pupils reported to truant officer, 20. Cases of corporal punishment, 4. On motion it was ordered that the cellar of the First ward school building be given a coat of whitewash, a modern sprayer to be employed. Treasurer M. H. Schram presented a statement of finances to date, which showed a cash balance on hand of \$14,106.63. Mr. Fischer of the building and repair committee reported that no bids had been received for putting in the curbing around the second ward school building, which was ordered installed at the last meeting. Mr. Sechler reported that a clock had been purchased for Miss Gallagher's room. The following members were present: Pursel, Orth, Swartz, Burns, Redding, Fish, Fischer, Sechler, Foulk, Heiss and Cole. The following bills were approved for payment: Welliver Hdw. Co. \$ 5.63 Adams Ex. Co. 1.75 Standard Gas Co. 4.41 Rand McNally & Co. 13.75 Silver Springs Quarry Co. 18.44 Hinds & Noble 1.42 B. G. Carpenter 10.08 John Hixson 39.59 Geo. W. Roat 30.00 Danville Sto & Mfg. Co. .78 Emery Shultz. .85 Friendship Fire Co. 80.25 SHOT WILD CAT NEAR BENFIELD'S Charles and William Welliver, who are operating a saw mill in Benfield's upper hollow, Valley township, Monday morning had the good fortune to shoot a wild cat. The cat was young, probably not yet a year old, and weighed about 11 pounds. It is a beautiful specimen, though, and the Welliver brothers are very proud of their catch. The two men were walking along the road when their dog began chasing some animal in the brush. The dog soon had his quarry up a tree, and it was then that the brothers discovered the rare nature of their find. Luckily one of the men had brought his gun with him and the animal was soon killed. PATIENTS ASSISTED TO HUSK CORN J. O. Warner of the Hospital farm has finished husking corn. The crop is a fairly good one and comprises about 4,500 bushels in the ears. Comparatively few of the ears are soft, although a large number are short in size. The patients at the hospital each year render much assistance in husking corn. They like the work. It is easy; there is a rivalry about it and it keeps them pleasantly occupied. The average amount of corn husked by the patients daily this year was five hundred bushels. RICHARD HOPEWELL IS NO MORE Richard Hopewell, of Sidler Hill, departed this life at 11 o'clock, Tuesday night after a protracted illness. The deceased was sixty-one years of age and is survived by his wife, two sons, Richard of Lebanon, and Chester who resides at home; also one daughter, Mrs. John Shoop, of Sidler Hill. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon. Interment at Odd Fellows' cemetery. Traveling diplomacy is one of the fads of the new century.

THE GRAVE OF A FREE MASON

The borough council held a special meeting on Monday night to take action on the Petriken cemetery. The old burial ground is now in the hands of the borough authorities and the meeting was held pursuant to the final decree of the court to authorize the insertion of notices in the newspapers relating to removal of the remains of the dead. These notices will run two weeks. At the expiration of that period every thing will be in readiness to move swiftly with the last stage of the work—the obliterating of the graves. Unless cold weather comes unusually early the old burial ground will probably be wiped out of existence this fall. The interments were all made so long ago that it is unlikely that a vestige of the remains can be found. With one or two exceptions there will be no removals. Among the markers that remain is that of Dr. Petriken's grave, a monument. The inscription reads as follows: "David Petriken, M. D. died March 14, 1847, aged 57 years and 4 months." A tombstone that attracts considerable attention is an immense marble slab on the lower side of the cemetery on which are chiseled the symbols of Freemasonry and the following inscription: "Our brother, James Jordan Stebbins, Born at St. Croix, West Indies, March 23, 1821. Died September 6, 1848." The men buried is distinctly recalled by our older residents. He was a book-keeper at the iron works and was an enthusiastic Freemason. An effort will be made by the Freemasons of Danville to find the remains and re-inter them in another cemetery. If the remains can not be found, the tombstone will be removed. The remains of the Petriken family are said to have been removed and a monument, the counterpart of the one still standing in the old cemetery is said to be erected at Bloomsburg, where the bodies were re-interred. Dr. Petriken was a distinguished resident of Danville in the olden time. Not only was he a leading physician, but he represented this district in congress two terms. NEW GOLD PIECES ARE UNIQUE A few of the new ten dollar gold pieces, designed by St. Gaudens and just issued from the mints, have been received in Danville, and a few favored individuals who have the price have been permitted to own one. The artist has succeeded in producing something entirely unlike any other American coin, and perhaps it requires an artistic temperament of a high order to appreciate the new piece, but the prediction is made that there will be a general expression of opinion to the effect that it is not nearly as handsome a piece as the similar coins which preceded it. So much license has been taken with the American eagle that he looks like a turkey buzzard with a wry neck, and the Indian on the "heads" side has her hair done up with an immense "rat," concealed with a high feather hedge. The design is made unusually deep, and one of the chief characteristics of the new coin is the substitution of stars on the edge in place of the usual milling. CUTTING DOWN THE SHADE TREES G. M. Shoop is cutting down the three shade trees in front of his dwelling on East Market street to make room for sidewalk improvements. A good many trees in town have been cut down during the year past, leaving a number of spots bare that were well shaded before. One of Danville's charms lies in the abundance of shade upon its streets. The tendency, however, seems to be to get rid of the trees. It is hoped, however, that the "woodman's axe" will not cut too deep and may be stayed before it invades several of our thickly shaded streets that remain. It is gratifying that in most cases, as at Mr. Shoop's residence, a fine sidewalk or other improvement takes the place of the trees cut down. Thus while we miss the trees the eye has something pleasing and artistic to gaze upon in their stead. BRICK CROSSINGS ON BLOOM STREET A force of men under the street commissioner have been employed during a couple of days past in laying vitrified brick crossings on Bloom street. The crossing at Vine street is completed and the one at Cherry street is well under way. The brick crossings constitute a fine improvement, which was much needed.

MUST OPEN RIVER ROAD

There is some curiosity on the part of the public to learn the exact status of the old river road now that the court has set aside the report of the viewers, who reported in favor of vacating the road. The natural inference, of course, is that the status of the old road is precisely as it was before the proceedings looking to vacation were set on foot. The latter is, indeed, the proper view. The old highway is simply an impassable road, just as it had been for years when viewers were appointed to consider the question of vacation five years ago. What the next step in the premises may be is enigmatical. The attorney who represented the exceptions yesterday stated that it now devolves upon the county commissioners to restore the bridge at the creek's mouth and upon the borough council and supervisors of Mahoning township to repair the road, the former between West Market street and the borough line near the creek's mouth and the latter between that point and the road leading from Northumberland to Danville. W. Kase West, attorney for Mahoning township, yesterday stated that the old river road would not be restored under present conditions, as the township would be unable to bear the burden of cost. Mr. West said that a conservative estimate places the full cost of opening of the road at some fifteen thousand dollars. There are two bridges to be built, one at the creek's mouth and the other at the D. L. & W. railroad opposite Lover's Leap. The former, alone, would be built by the county. A fact generally lost sight of, the attorney said, is that the old highway for a long distance has been washed away by the inroads of the river, which is to be regarded purely as an act of God and that the route originally surveyed lies in the river bed. The best that the township could do in restoring the old highway, Mr. West said, would be to permit the public to seek the old road below the river bank, which during low water might afford a safe means of getting along, but which during many months of the year would be impassable. Mr. West was emphatic in his assertion that the township would be unable to bear the expense of re-locating the road, which would mean the purchase of ground along with the assuming of other heavy expense. In this connection he took occasion to explain how unfortunately Mahoning township is situated. It is a large township, it is true, but no other township with the same mileage of public roads to maintain has so much land that yields no revenue. He cited the hospital farms, now consolidated into a magnificent domain cut right out of the heart of the township, which is exempt from taxation. Among other tracts exempt from taxation he cited the poor farm, the Odd Fellows' and other cemeteries, all comprising, like the hospital farms, the best and most valuable land in the township. In addition to this, he called attention to the considerable area of wild and uncultivated land in Mahoning township embraced by Bald Top and Montour ridge. As it is, Mr. West explained, the citizens of the township are bearing as heavy a burden of taxation as they can carry. From the above it is plain that conditions relating to the old highway are favorable to the renewal of the fight and that the destiny of the old river road is involved in much uncertainty. ARRESTED FOR THROWING STONES Boys who are in the habit of throwing stones at and otherwise annoying older persons will take warning from a little affair which occurred last evening—if they are wise. Joseph Eck, of Walnut street, it seems, has been a sort of a target for boys of that part of town, who annoy him in various ways, especially, by throwing stones at him as he moves about his lot. Mr. Eck obtained the names of the boys and last evening had several arrested. They were given a hearing before Justice Dalton, where all the facts were brought out. Mr. Eck, who is an aged man and an invalid, it appears, is dreadfully annoyed by the boys. The defendants escaped with a reprimand, however, with the exception of one, regarded as the leader, who was mulcted in fine and costs. While Patrick Gallagher, sexton of St. Gabriel's cemetery, at Hazleton, was in the cemetery on Monday, attending to his duties, he was startled by a large catamount which climbed a tree. He quickly procured a gun and shot it. It measured three feet in length and is the first one seen in that section for twenty years.

ENGINEERS ARE AT WORK

A corps of engineers are at work at the hospital for the insane trying to solve the difficult problem of sewage, which up to the present has been permitted to pollute the Susquehanna river. The borough of Danville in the past has found much cause for protest in the pollution of the river, which in one form or another, constantly goes on at the hospital, while State Health Commissioner Dixon, it is understood, is opposed to the principle of river pollution and objects as much to the borough's sewer, which opens into the river, as to the unsatisfactory methods of disposing of sewage at the hospital. The question of sewage has proven the source of much trouble and annoyance both to the borough council and the hospital authorities. The present survey is the outgrowth of a conference between Dr. Dixon and the trustees of the Danville Hospital, held at Harrisburg last summer, at which it was agreed that a sanitary engineer of high reputation representing the trustees and an engineer of the State board of health should go over the ground jointly and try to decide upon some system that would bring full and permanent relief. The engineers employed are E. I. Bright and Nevius of Philadelphia. They have been working at the hospital for the insane for a week or more past. The only one on the job yesterday was T. J. Riley, a member of the corps. A great amount of work is involved in the survey at the hospital and before the topographical map, on which the engineers are at work, will be completed cold weather will no doubt be upon us. CHARLES E. SCOTT PASSES AWAY Charles E. Scott, nearly a life-long resident of Point township, Northumberland county, who lived on the farm owned by Dr. I. H. Jennings in this city, a short distance below Chulasky, departed this life about 1 o'clock yesterday morning after a painful siege of illness. The deceased was fifty-seven years of age. He was the son of the late Peter Scott. He was born in Columbia county, but spent the greater part of his life in Point township, where he was widely known and highly esteemed for his integrity of character, his industry and his fine social qualities. He was a member of Shiloh Reformed church, this city. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Walter, of Point township; Bruce, of Sunbury; four daughters, Elsie, Mary, Jennie and Mira, who reside at home. Four brothers and two sisters also survive: Samuel of near Northumberland; William of Klinesgrove; Michael P., of Danville; and Clarence, of Williamsport; Lizzie Scott, of Danville; and Ella (Mrs. Alfred Harman) of Catawissa. The cause of death was heart trouble. The last illness of the deceased dated from July, when he had quite a serious attack, from which he rallied later, but did not fully recover. His condition was very critical during a couple of weeks preceding death, his last days of life especially being marked with the most excruciating suffering. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Saturday forenoon from the family residence on the Northumberland road. Interment will be made in Odd Fellows' cemetery, this city. BURNED BY RED HOT IRON Rufus Gulliver, Upper Mulberry street, was painfully burned at the Reading Iron works yesterday morning. Mr. Gulliver had just delivered a ball of red hot iron fresh from the puddler's furnace, at the squeezer, or "coffee mill" as it is more familiarly known. While he was backing the "buggy" up to the squeezer another workman came dashing along with a ball of iron for the coffee mill. As he swung the buggy around to get it into the proper position for dumping he accidentally struck Mr. Gulliver. The ball of red hot iron came in contact with the man's legs, igniting his clothing and inflicting painful burns upon his limbs. Others ran to Mr. Gulliver's assistance, extinguishing the fire and rendering what relief they could. The man was removed to his home on Upper Mulberry street, where Dr. E. A. Curry rendered surgical aid. The corner stone laying of the new \$100,000 Y. M. C. A. building in Pottsville took place on Sunday and was witnessed by a large throng of people.

WILLIAM MCVEY'S BAD ACCIDENT

William McVey, driver for the Welliver hardware company, fell from an overhead platform yesterday and sustained a broken collar bone and other injuries of a serious nature. The accident occurred just before noon. Mr. McVey had climbed upon the large platform suspended from overhead on the first floor, on which are stored implements of various kinds. While working there he got too near the edge and stepping backward fell to the floor, a distance of some ten feet. He landed on the hard boards. He was very painfully hurt, although the extent of his injuries could not be ascertained by his fellow workmen. Dr. Patton was called, who found the young man's injuries to consist of a fracture of the right shoulder blade, a scalp wound on the back of the head and bad bruises and abrasions about the arms and other parts of the body. The injured man was removed to the home of his father, Patrick McVey, Spruce street, where the fractured bone was set, and the scalp wound stitched. Last evening the injured man was resting comfortably. FLOBERT BALL PIERCED WINDOW Shooting within the borough, although limited to flobert rifles, is becoming a great nuisance. On Tuesday a ball discharged from one of these guns penetrated a window on Northumberland street puncturing the glass and the window curtain. Had anyone been inside the window at the time they might have been seriously wounded. The flobert rifles are used in killing sparrows and in target shooting. Whenever these guns are seen on the street the police declare that they are careful to remind the owners of the restrictions placed upon shooting but the man, or as more frequently happens, the boy with the flobert, is very emphatic in his declaration that he intends "to go outside the borough limits." That the gunners do not always keep their word is pretty evident, as is proven by the episode Tuesday, when the bullet penetrated a window. One if not more of the shooters will fall into the hands of the police before long, when he will probably be very lucky if he escapes the payment of five dollars, which is the penalty imposed by the ordinance for wantonly discharging fire arms in the borough. PUT YOUR MONEY IN THE BANK Mrs. H. M. Long, of Blairsville, came to McKeesport on Saturday night, says the McKeesport Daily News, and after depositing \$50 in a local bank, went to a five and ten cent store to make some purchases, and upon leaving it discovered that a leather pocketbook containing a \$100 note, \$3 in silver and some valuable papers had been taken from her hand satchel. Commenting on her loss the mayor of the city said: "It would be impossible if the city had 1,000 policemen, to prevent such robberies. In McKeesport we have seven banks, and all of them are absolutely safe. In the banks is the place the people should place their money. The experience of Mrs. Long should be a warning to others. She placed a part of her money in the bank because she wanted to pay a bill out of the city. With the checking system depositors can pay bills at home the same way, and now that every town is the country is over-run with crooks and pick-pockets, I would advise for the people's safety that they place their money in the banks and pay all bills by check." CRUSADE AGAINST 7-CENT MILK Bloomsburg is having a real, live milk war since the dealers got together and raised the price to seven cents a quart, which rate went into effect last Monday. Last night the main streets of the town were paraded by a good sized delegation. The feature of the parade was a cow which was liberally placarded with signs which said: "I'll give milk for six cents." Other signs carried by the paraders ridiculed the advance in price. District Attorney C. A. Small has announced that he will investigate the advanced milk prices, and if he can discover that the dealers actions have savored at all of conspiracy in restraint of trade" he will institute proceedings. A Son. An 11-pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marks, on Tuesday night.