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ITEMS CONDENSED.

Ford City, Armstrong county, with a population of 3,000 has a record of 190 births during the year 1907 or more than one birth every two days. In the town of Klugeberg, Germany, taxes are unknown and last year \$50 was paid to every citizen from the profits of the municipal brick works. The late King Oscar stopped at the Swedish Embassy when he was in London, and didn't cost King Edward a penny. Massachusetts is the most densely populated state of the Union, having about 350 inhabitants per square mile. Every effort possible is being made to use native woods for ties in building the railways in the Philippines. The Barbados pigs are kept as pets by many of the natives, who teach them amusing tricks and permit them to run all over their houses. The Slatington knitting mill has resumed operations after a suspension of several weeks. Harry Boner, of Franklin, aged 13 years, for some offense was whipped by his school teacher and afterwards by his father, when he attempted to commit suicide by jumping in front of a moving railroad train, but was pulled off the track in time to save his life by some companions. Many of the cement mills in Lehigh and Northampton counties, which closed down several weeks ago, throwing thousands of men out of employment, are arranging to resume in a short time. Sixty-six cases of measles in Womelsdorf, Berks county, have necessitated the closing of the schools indefinitely. Carpenters' Union No. 22, of San Francisco, the largest union of the craft in the world has 2,825 members on its rolls. The efforts to exterminate the plague in New South Wales led to the killing last year, of over 91,000 mice and rats. Plague germs were found in 123 rat and 1 mice. There is activity among the ice men on the Pocono mountains, in Monroe county, and some have begun cutting although the thickest ice measures only six inches. As a rule it is not cut until it is a foot thick. More than 1,000,000 tons are usually cut in that region. Tuberculosis is spreading to a marked degree among cattle in York county, and an inspector of the State live stock sanitary board has just condemned fifty-three head of stock and placed eighteen head under quarantine. There has been a steady increase of applicants for admission to the Pittsburgh sanitarium for tuberculosis and at present sixty-five cases are under treatment. Mrs. Minnie Myrtle Harton, aged 29 years, of Beaver, committed suicide on Monday by taking rat poison. In a note she stated that her husband, who had died on Christmas day, had left a will which she could not find and in consequence \$7,000 and some real estate were in danger of being taken from her.

before the bar and told him that the court adjudged him guilty. The sentence was that the defendant each Saturday pay his wife a weekly allowance of two dollars or provide a home for her apart from his father and mother. He was obliged to pay the costs and give a bond in two hundred dollars for the faithful performance of the order and to keep the peace toward all good people and especially toward his wife.

costs, fine, &c., being precisely the same as in Shephard's case. Tuesday's Proceedings. Six cases were disposed of at court Tuesday. The most important of these probably was the case of Commonwealth vs. William Spade, in which the charge was selling liquor to a minor. The jury returned a verdict of "guilty." James Snelling, accused of larceny, pleaded guilty. The other cases were accompanied with acquittal. Immediately after convening Tuesday morning the case of Commonwealth vs. James Dailey, the charge being surety of the peace, was heard before the court. The wife of the defendant being called to the stand told her story, which showed that she had been subject to abuse and ill treatment from her husband for a period of five years. Harry Winniger, who saw the defendant strike his wife on one occasion, was a witness in the case. The defendant declined to make a formal statement, but entered a general denial of the charge. He was called before the court. Judge Evans told him that he adjudged him guilty. In reply to a question the defendant said he was 37 years of age and has been in jail since Christmas. He acknowledged that he drinks to excess, but declared that it has been only during a year past, as previous to that period he was temperate. Judge Evans told him that the court was convinced that the family troubles in his case were due to excessive drinking, which would not be tolerated in this country. The sentence of the court was that James Dailey pay the costs of prosecution, enter into recognizance in the sum of three hundred dollars to keep the peace toward all good people and more especially his wife and to stand committed until the sentence is complied with. The defendant was taken back to jail. In the cases of Commonwealth vs. Charles S. Hileman and Commonwealth vs. Andrew Love, cross-actions charging assault and battery, the grand jury ignored the bill of each. In the former case the costs were put on Andrew Love and in the latter case on Charles S. Hileman. Hileman and Love were called before court where Judge Evans in a friendly way informed them that both had had the benefit of an object lesson. He sentenced each to pay the costs as imposed by the grand jury and informed him that he was in the hands of the sheriff until the order was complied with. The first case that went to the jury was that of Commonwealth vs. Robert McCormick. In this case the charge was larceny, the defendant being accused of stealing a con skin robe, blankets and other articles out of buggies at the barn of William Fenstermacher on the occasion of a party there on the night of December 14th. McCormick being without counsel the court asked former District Attorney Ralph Kiser to take charge of the case. Mr. Kiser informed Judge Evans that he would not refuse to comply with any request that the court might make, but he explained that it is a fact that may not be known to the court that it seems to be an understanding among the prisoners in jail that they will not employ counsel, but will rely upon the judge to supply them with counsel free. In the present instance he felt convinced that the defendant was amply able to employ counsel, as for several weeks past he had been out on bail and was working every day. On the whole he felt that the practice complained of is an imposition on the legal profession and he thought that it was about time that a stand were taken to break it up. Under the circumstances Judge Evans decided that in the present case the court would look after the defendant's interest. Our readers are familiar with all the circumstances of the affair, which were printed in these columns at the time of the hearing before Justice Oglesby. Charles K. Beyer, the prosecutor, was the first witness. He was followed by Daniel Billmeyer, Allen Watson, George Tanner, William Brittain and Howard Vognatz. The witnesses brought out all the facts relating to the loss of the articles and their subsequent discovery in the defendant's buggy. The defendant, Robert McCormick, was called to the stand to testify in his own behalf. He was sent to the stand at Fenstermacher's, he said, to make some purchases. He bought fifty bushels of oats and a barrel of cider. Of the cider, he confessed, that he drank considerably too much and was not in a condition to know what he transpired. He disclaimed all knowledge of how the con skin robe, the blankets and other stolen articles got into his buggy. The case was given to the jury at 11:15 o'clock. A few minutes before 12 o'clock the jury returned a verdict of "not guilty." Judge Evans informed the jury that he thought it had made a mistake, as in his opinion the evidence was sufficient to warrant conviction. Addressing McCormick Judge Evans expressed himself further in the same vein and

SCHOOL BOARD IN SESSION

The school board held a regular meeting Monday night. Chairman Pursel being absent Mr. Fischer was chosen president pro tem. Other members were present as follows: Orth, Swartz, Barber, Burns, Redding, Foulk, Cole, Heiss and Fish. Treasurer Schram presented a statement of finances to date, which showed a cash balance on hand of \$11,724.47. D. W. Sankey of Millburg appeared before the school board in the interest of a floor dressing for use in the public schools. The school board since the last meeting has been casting about for a floor dressing that will be instrumental in keeping down the dust during sweeping. Mr. Sankey explained the merits of the floor dressing represented by him, which, he said, is not only a dust holder, but is a disinfectant as well. He explained what terms would be allowed to introduce the dressing. Secretary Orth read correspondence received in reply to letters sent out to various firms making inquiries concerning a "sweeping compound" to be used in schools or other establishments where dust is apt to become a nuisance. The sweeping compound is to be sprinkled on the floor and swept out with the dust and differs from a floor dressing, which is a preparation of oil. Mr. Sankey proposed to send the school board a half barrel of oil together with a patent oiler, which he wishes the board to experiment with. On motion it was decided that the matter of floor dressing be left in the hands of the supply committee to make further inquiries. The bids submitted for manufacturing the umbrella stands adopted for use in the borough schools were opened last night. The contract for making 24 umbrella stands as per specifications was awarded to George F. Reifsnnyder for \$69.60. Other bidders were Casper Diserod and Trumbower & Werkheiser. The following bills were approved for payment: U. S. Express Co. \$ .45 D. F. Dieffenbacher. 6.35 S. H. Lormor. 2.05 J. W. Lore. 6.85 Ambrose Prentiss. 8.00 Paint. 5.66 S. J. Welliver Son's Co. 2.27 Trumbower & Werkheiser. 14.35 Standard Gas Co. 8.13 Wm. Miller. 2.50 Boyer Bros. 4.70 Mrs. I. C. Everhart. 1.50 Ezra S. Haas. 1.25 Danville Sto. & Mfg. Co. 147.59 Interest on bonds. 123.50

WILL G. BROWN WAS HANDED A LEMON

All the way from Texas Will G. Brown, of this city, was handed a lemon Monday, and it was evidently the original skidoo package—the father of them all. It weighed 1 pound and 12 ounces and measured 15 inches around. The lemon came from Charles N. Kight, San Antonio, Texas, a former Danvillian, who accompanied the present with the following letter: "Using the Pacific Express company as an intermediary, I hand you a lemon, which I hope you will receive in good condition. I have had it on exhibition in my office for 10 days resulting in its shrinking about one-fourth." The mammoth size of Mr. Brown's lemon may be understood when it is stated that an ordinary lemon weighs between three and four ounces.

AGED LADY SUSTAINS FRACTURE

Mrs. Michael Wallize, Centre street, mother of Mrs. I. A. Persing, sustained a fall Sunday afternoon which resulted in an intracapsular fracture of the left hip joint. The fact that Mrs. Wallize was 87 years of age last December makes her injury of a very serious nature. The accident occurred Sunday afternoon when Mrs. Wallize stepped from the house onto the porch. Phonograph Party. A very delightful phonograph party was held Saturday evening at the home of Phoebe Bogart, Liberty township. The music was furnished by Fred Springer's phonograph. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Amos Dietrich, Mr. and Mrs. William Readinger, Mrs. Phoebe Bogart, Misses Della Bogart, Edna Dietrich, Mae Readinger; Messrs. George Dietrich, Cyrus Bogart and Fred Springer. Born, a Girl. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hummer, of Philadelphia, Tuesday at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. George Ashton, Railroad street.

ASK COUNTY TO BUILD MONUMENT

It would be difficult to recall an opening day of court when such a heavy volume of business was disposed of as Monday. Court did not convene until 10 o'clock, but between that hour and 4:30 p. m. the grand jury had passed upon five cases, returning a true bill in each. In every case the defendants pleaded guilty so that when adjournment occurred Monday evening sentences had been imposed and each case had been finally disposed of. James Shephard and Peter Roden each go to the Eastern penitentiary for four years. Dal Jones will serve a two years' sentence in the same institution. Others were given short terms in the county jail. The court room was crowded, standing room being at a premium during the entire day. Court convened at 10 o'clock with His Honor, C. C. Evans and Associates Blee and Welliver on the bench. The grand jury was sworn. A. H. Grono being appointed foreman. Irvin Vauman, J. B. Watson and J. Y. Sechler were excused as grand jurors. William Bird was appointed tipstaff to wait upon the grand jury and Charles Hollough, tipstaff to wait upon the traverse jury. The court delivered the charge to the grand jury, in which allusion was made to the application for a soldiers' monument, which would probably be laid before the grand jury at the present term of court. Under the law the county commissioners may erect or assist to erect a soldiers' monument. But before the commissioners can take action in the matter, the same must be approved by two successive grand juries. If application for a soldiers' monument be made at the present term Judge Evans said he would permit the calling of witnesses to testify in relation to the matter. The constables of the county were called and their returns were taken. Charles Hollough of Derry township reported that many of the index boards were down or the lettering was defaced and nearly illegible. The constable reported the same neglect as to the index board, at the subsequent term of court. Judge Evans explained that supervisors failing to maintain index boards in proper condition are liable for indictment for neglect. He referred the matter to the district attorney with instruction, in case the index boards are not put in proper condition, at the next, or February term of court, to send up a bill of indictment against the supervisors. Benjamin Cook, constable of the fourth ward, Borough of Danville, reported the road leading from Welsh hill to Sider hill in a very bad condition. The road has been the cause of complaint for a long time past and was reported at the last session of court. Judge Evans explained that he had received a petition, signed by some twenty-five residents of Danville, begging for relief in relation to the same road. The district attorney explained that immediately after last court he had taken the matter up with the authorities who are responsible for the road in question and that he had been assured by them that the road would be attended to. Under the circumstances the case was not regarded as one calling for clemency and the court referred the matter to the district attorney with instruction to prepare an indictment and lay the matter before the grand jury at the present term of court. The case of Commonwealth vs. Lafayette Foust was called shortly after 11 o'clock, the charge being desertion. A jury was dispensed with and the case was heard by the court. Hester Foust, the wife, was the first witness. She was corroborated in her statement by her mother, Mrs. John Moser. Lafayette Foust, the husband, followed with his side of the story, the testimony on the whole was a rather depressing recital of domestic infelicity and discord. The couple was married on May 2nd last, and it required only four or five months to convince the husband that he could not endure life with his wife. The latter, however, declared on the stand that she loved her husband and would gladly resume living with him, provided he would furnish her with a home where they could live alone. During their short experience in married life the couple resided with the husband's parents, Margaret Foust, mother, and J. P. Foust, father of the defendant, were among the witnesses. Others who testified were John Foust and the Misses Anna and Eva Manning. The testimony dragged along until nearly 3 o'clock. E. S. Gearhart, attorney for the defendant, addressed the court for five minutes. He was followed by William Kase West, who was associated with the district attorney. Judge Evans called Lafayette Foust

PETITION FOR MONUMENT.

At the opening of the afternoon session Hon. R. S. Ammerman, presented a petition to the court signed by "fifty or more" citizens, representing that the petitioners desire the county of Montour to erect and complete a monument in memory of the soldiers of the late war of the Rebellion or to pay tabs heretofore contracted for and about the erection and construction of such a monument and they respectfully pray the court to lay this petition before the grand jury with instructions to proceed as provided by an act of the General Assembly approved May 23, 1895, amended by an act approved on the 11th day of May, A. D., 1901. The petition was signed by 183 persons, representative citizens of the borough. The petition was ordered filed. The grand jury will take up the matter of the soldiers' monument at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The case of Commonwealth vs. William Bingham was attached at 3 p. m. The defendant, who pleaded guilty, was charged with stealing scrap from the Reading Iron company and was alleged to be an old offender. Ralph Kiser, Esq., attorney for the Reading company, addressed the court explaining how the proprietors of the plant here are annoyed by thieves who carry off scrap. William Bingham on being called before court acknowledged that he had been arrested several times before for the same offense; also that he had served two terms in the penitentiary for stealing. The sentence of the court was that William Bingham pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of ten dollars and undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for a period of one year. The case of Commonwealth vs. Geo. Snyder was next attached. The defendant who was accused of stealing oysters, &c. from Jesse Wyant on the night of December 7th, also pleaded guilty. In answer to certain questions put to him by the court, he acknowledged that he had served nine months in the Northumberland county jail for "helping a fellow to go through a store at Elysbury." The sentence of the court was that the defendant, George Snyder, pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of fifty dollars and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for a period of six months. Dal Jones, colored, who was charged with having burglarized the store of J. H. Fry, this city, in August last, was next haled before court. The defendant pleaded guilty. He said he was 24 years of age and has a wife and three children. The sentence of the court was that the defendant pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$25 and undergo an imprisonment in the Eastern penitentiary in separate and solitary confinement for a period of two years. The case of Commonwealth vs. James Shephard and Peter Roden was attached at 4 p. m. The two men, who are accused of burglarizing the barber shop of Thomas J. Evans, both pleaded guilty. Before passing sentence the court elicited a statement from Peter Roden as to the hour of the robbery and the disposition of the loot. Roden said he thought the burglary was committed about one o'clock Sunday morning. After the job was completed the two men went to the Continental engine house, thence to the blacksmith shop at the northern end of town. At 9 a. m. Sunday they went to Catawissa, proceeding later to Pottsville. The greater number of the articles stolen were disposed of in Tamaqua. Shephard informed the court that he is 40 years of age and has a wife and three children. Roden is about the same age but is single. He put in the plea, however, that he was drunk when the crime was committed. Judge Evans in reply informed the men that drunkenness is no excuse for committing crime but rather aggravates the offense. Shephard asked the mercy of the court. Judge Evans explained that there is a great wave of crime sweeping over the country and that something must be done to check it. Under the law, he said, he could give each of the men seven years in the penitentiary. James Shephard was sentenced first. The sentence of the court was that the defendant pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$100.00, restore the property stolen or pay the value thereof and undergo an imprisonment in the Eastern penitentiary in separate and solitary confinement at hard labor for a period of four years. The same sentence of four years in the Eastern penitentiary was imposed on Peter Roden. His sentence calls for hard labor and separate and solitary confinement, the terms as to

TROLLEY COMPANY ELECTS OFFICERS

The stockholders of the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway company held their annual meeting at the Montour house Monday afternoon. The following officers were elected: President, F. C. Angle, Esq.; vice president, Thomas B. Illig; secretary, W. C. Billman; treasurer, C. E. Leipp. Directors were elected as follows: Thomas B. Illig, John R. Miller, Frank P. Lauer and W. C. Billman, of Reading and W. R. Miller, of Danville. W. R. Miller was re-elected as general manager of the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway. John R. Nesbitt, of Milton was present at the meeting to present a proposition looking to the extending of the Danville and Bloomsburg line to Milton. Mr. Nesbitt has discovered that among the property owners between Danville and Milton there is a well-nigh universal desire to see the two towns connected by trolley. Mr. Nesbitt himself is thoroughly alive to the advantages that would accrue from such a line and in order to see what obstacles might be met with in securing the right of way he made a canvass of the entire distance between Danville and Milton. There are just eighty-seven property owners on the road to be traversed and of these Mr. Nesbitt got the signatures of seventy-five, who freely accord the right of way. It is difficult to tell at this time what may grow out of the proposition. It is not known whether or not the Danville and Bloomsburg Street Railway company is looking to an extension of its line. However, Mr. Nesbitt is much commended for his enterprise and disinterested efforts to give the people between Danville and Milton a good trolley service.

INFORMAL TALKS BY WELL KNOWN MEN

A series of five practical lectures and talks to be delivered by as many of Danville's most prominent men have been arranged by General Secretary Manley to be given in the Y. M. C. A. on alternate Friday evenings, starting on Friday next. The lecturers and their subjects are as follows: Jan. 17—"New Year's and New Beginnings," W. V. Oglesby. Jan. 31—"Disease Germs and How to Avoid Them," Dr. J. E. Robbins. Feb. 14—"The Right of the Community in Which You Live," Wm. L. Sider. Feb. 2—"Crime, Its Cause and Cure," James Scarlet, Esq. March 13—"Breaks That Cost," Hon. H. M. Hinckley. These talks will be of a very informal nature and will be delivered in the parlor of the Association building, where ample opportunity will be given those present to question the speaker upon obscure points. The subjects selected are very practical, and should be of personal interest to every young man in Danville. No admission will be charged to the lectures, and all men, whether members of the Y. M. C. A. or not, will be welcome. The time will be from 7:19 to 7:49.

NEW RECTOR ON THE SOUTH SIDE

Rev. John Costello, who has recently been appointed by Bishop Darlington to take charge of Grace Episcopal church, Riverside, was present in the parish on Tuesday and yesterday, visiting among the people, and arousing interest in the work of the church. Bishop Darlington has appointed Rev. Costello to take charge of the Episcopal churches at Northumberland, Catawissa and Riverside. The new rector will spend much of his time on the south side. Rev. Costello is known in the diocese as being a hard and successful worker and at other places much success has attended his efforts in putting renewed life into parishes. Rev. Costello is arranging to hold a men's mass meeting in Grace church on Tuesday evening, January 28th, at which Mr. Haberstro, field secretary of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will speak.

DEATH OF WELL KNOWN MAN

Thomas H. Kear, a well known and highly respected citizen of the fourth ward, died Monday morning at 11 o'clock of pneumonia, after an illness of a week. The deceased was aged 40 years, 5 months and 14 days and for the past twenty years had been employed as a moulder at the stove works. He had been a life long member of the Trinity M. E. church and was also affiliated with Local No. 124 of the Iron Molders' union. He is survived by his wife, Abigail, and ten children. Four sisters and four brothers survive.

FOOT BALL TEAM AT BANQUET BOARD

The members of the Danville high school foot ball team and a few invited guests were rendered a banquet on Tuesday evening at Heddens restaurant by the D. H. S. Athletic association. At the banquet Edward Price, quarter back during the season just closed, was chosen captain for the fall of 1908. The banquet was thoroughly enjoyed and after the tempting dishes prepared by Mr. Heddens had been disposed of the following toasts were responded to: Toastmaster, Jay Sechler, '08. Prof. Bream, "Old D. H. S." Captain Ryan, "Captaincy of a Foot Ball Team." Prof. Magill, "The Game from the Sidelines." J. C. Ainsworth, "Hints at Training." Others present were H. R. McClure, Thomas Ryan, Harry Dailey, William Breitenbach, Roy Winner, Arthur Reifsnnyder, F. N. Rishel, Thomas Bowers, Omar Young, William Books, E. F. Price, James A. Kase, Jay Sechler and Harris Edmondson.

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