

Danville, Pa., Jan. 23, 1908.

The Boys-town Catastrophe. The first terrible accident of the year 1908, involving the lives of about 170 human beings, occurred within the borders of our own commonwealth.

The details certainly constitute a feast of horrors sufficient to appal the stoutest heart. When a town of 2,500 souls loses 170 of its number the distress is going to invade almost every home.

Of course somebody was to blame. It was a blunder to crowd 425 human beings into such a place of entertainment. It was a mistake to close and bar one section of the double doors for the convenience of the ticket taker.

Home Buyers Are Many. The buying of homes has become such a general custom in this city that it is really quite the thing to do—in fact, is the fashion. The change thus noted is an important one, not only to the individual that follows such a custom, but to the community at large.

The volume of this sort of business is growing larger each year and the end does not yet appear to be in sight. During the past few months when money has been hard to get, even upon the best terms, the demand from people who want to own their homes has continued and a number of transactions have been closed.

The rapidity with which houses and other properties have been taken off the market shows, of course, according to some, the prosperity that prevails in this country. But whatever the causes may be the main thing is that this city is having added to the city a substantial sort of residents.

While the increase in the number of residents has some influence on the home buying movement, yet at the same time it must be recognized that the attractions of the city itself and of the houses which are placed on the market has a great deal to do with the number sold.

It is found by prospective home buyers and is also discovered by those who, perhaps, had not come up to the decision to really try to own the house they live in, that by adding something to the amount they are obliged to pay in the way of rent they can become in time the owner of the property.

The terms on which houses are sold adapted as has been stated to the people of moderate means, are of course, incentive to buying, but unless the city itself were a desirable place of residence people would not be found in such large numbers to plant here their permanent homes as has been the case the past decade or so.

While Police Sergeant, Macolley, of Norristown, was arresting Jennie Simmons, she stabbed him with a hatpin, in her struggle to get away from him.

VERDICT IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANT

The jury Saturday morning returned a verdict in favor of the defendant in the case of Patrick F. Brennan, guardian of Elizabeth Markley vs. Catherine Fiegles, which went on trial Thursday afternoon. The action was brought to recover nine hundred dollars, which, it was alleged, the defendant had obtained of Elizabeth Markley through welding improper in finance.

The jury, which retired about 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, reached an agreement early in the evening. The verdict was sealed and returned to court upon the ringing of the bell on Saturday morning.

The taking of the verdict was about the only business on hand Saturday morning. The other civil cases had all been continued. The jurors, with the exception of those that had just come into court, had been discharged the day previous and as soon as the verdict the latter brought in was recorded they too were discharged from further attendance and court was adjourned to reconvene on Friday next, the 24th inst., when license court will be held.

The Prothonotary stated Saturday that no applications for license for new houses will appear, but that license is asked for all the old established places. There will be no remonstrances.

NEW STACK COMPLETED

A self-supporting steel stack over a hundred feet high is being erected at the silk mill owned by F. Q. Hartman, this city, to take the place of the two sixty-foot stacks, which up to the present have done service at the plant.

The stack is being built by E. Keeler & Co., of Williamsport, the firm which erected the 150-foot self-supporting steel stack at the hospital for the insane the summer before last.

The stack at the silk mill is supported by a concrete foundation, a seventeen foot octagon, eight feet deep. On this foundation a structure of brickwork, eleven feet, three inches high, is erected, which serves as a base for the stack.

The stack consists of ninety feet of iron work and has an actual height above the ground of 102 feet and 3 inches. It stands south of the mill, 36 feet, 9 inches from the boilers, with which it will be connected with breeching four feet square.

The stack was begun last Tuesday and was practically completed yesterday. As is customary with stacks of that type it was built without scaffolding. As might be implied by the term "self-supporting," no guy rods are used to steady the stack.

Stahl and Douty, the two expert workmen who were identified with the erection of the hospital stack, have charge of the work on the new stack at the silk mill. During last week they broke their own record, when in four hours they put on fifteen feet of iron, riveting and fully completing the stack for the above distance.

The carriage which hangs suspended from the top of the stack contains a forge for heating rivets; this together with the free and easy movements of the workmen on the giddy height as they proceed with their work invests the stack with a good deal of interest and many persons go out of their way to obtain a view of it.

While Mrs. Nelson Banks, of Titusville, was heating some alcohol on Monday it caught fire and ignited her clothing, burning her so badly that death ensued.

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GRAND AND TRAVERSE JURORS

The following jurors have been chosen for the next court, which convenes on Monday, February 24, 1908:

GRAND JURORS. Anthony township—Charles Carey, W. E. Love, Cooper township—Charles Fry, Danville, 1st Ward—Thomas W. Bedea, F. M. Gotwalds, Morgan J. Williams.

Danville, 2nd Ward—F. R. Harner, Benjamin Smithers. Danville, 3rd Ward—Harry M. Sobers, Robert Miller, John F. Tooley, David D. Williams.

Limestone township—John S. Conner, L. D. Shafer. Liberty township—C. P. Boyer. Mahoning township—C. H. Diehl, Jonathan Rudy, William Wertman, S. B. Kocher.

Valley township—Joseph P. Snyder, Clarence Bennett. West Hemlock township—Hiram Sandel, H. E. Cromley. Washingtonville Borough—George Heddens.

TRAVERSE JURORS. Anthony township—Jacob Biddle. Danville, 1st Ward—Dr. I. H. Jennings, George W. Hoffman, Dr. J. J. Kline, Rev. L. D. Ulrich, James B. Murray, Alfred M. Robinson.

Danville, 2nd Ward—David Guest, W. A. Shepperson. Danville, 3rd Ward—Patrick Hickey, William Confer, John Doster, J. H. Cole, Joseph Smith, Josiah Jobborn, W. T. Lovett.

Danville, 4th Ward—Dallas Hummer, George Bachinger, Charles Miller, John Deneen, Bernard Shoelvin. Derry township—James W. Lowrie, Clarence Rishel, John W. Ready. Limestone township—Samuel Schluener.

Liberty township—William E. Murray, Alexander Erb, Oscar Richard. Mahoning township—W. H. Maust, B. F. Diehl, Alfred Baylor. Mayberry township—Norman Broffee.

Valley township—A. H. Weitzel, Hiram Wertman, F. W. Diehl. West Hemlock township—Lloyd Bomboy.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD Bulletin. THE MIDWINTER OUTING.

This is the time for the midwinter outing. A dash of summer in the midst of winter is an agreeable variation. It makes for health and pleasure and stimulates vitality.

For the extended trip, Southern California, the fruit and flower land of the Pacific Coast, offers unrivaled attractions.

For the fortnight's trip, Florida, the summer garden of the Northern winter, bids you come and enjoy its genial sunshine, its tropical scenes and its out-door life.

For the ten days' outing, Pinchurst, Camden, Aiken, Augusta, Southern Pines and other popular resorts in the pine belt of the Carolinas and Georgia offer many inducements.

For the short trip—the week-end outing—Atlantic City is always attractive. The same breezes that depress the thermometer in summer seem to keep it up in winter. It offers great hotels on the ocean's edge, out-of-door life on land and sea, and a climate full of snap but shorn of the winter severity.

Before deciding on your midwinter outing consult a Pennsylvania Railroad Ticket Agent and get a Pennsylvania Railroad Winter Excursion Book. Whether you select California, Florida, the Carolinas, or Atlantic City, the Pennsylvania Railroad offers a comprehensive train service, reasonable rates and ticketing arrangements, and the best facilities that modern transportation methods can provide.

FLORIDA The Land of Summer Sunshine and Flowers IS BEST SEEN BY PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD PERSONALLY-CONDUCTED TOURS February 4 and 18, and March 3, 1908

PERPLEXING TESTIMONY

Justice of the Peace Dalton found himself confronted with a very difficult case Tuesday. The testimony was oddly conflicting and it would have required the wisdom of a Solomon to determine where justice lay.

The litigants are all Germans, belonging to the small company of immigrants that arrived in this city a few months ago and domiciled themselves on Montour row. They went to work at the big mill and as they pursued the even tenor of their way nothing was heard of them until internal disension occurred and they appealed to the law.

The complainant in the case gave his name as "Yacob" Straup and at the hearing was arrayed in the oddly designed costume that belongs to the peasantry of Europe. His information set forth that about December 16th he delivered his trunk containing among other valuables, thirty-eight dollars in cash over to Jacob Miller and Ida Miller for safe keeping; that between the latter date and January 14 the said Jacob Miller and Ida Miller abstracted from his trunk and converted to their own use the thirty-eight dollars in cash.

Complainant and defendants both are unable to speak our language. A young woman, who has rooms in the house, was able to talk English fairly well, but in order to get at the testimony of the other parties it was necessary to employ an interpreter. Jacob Shelhart was called upon to act in the latter capacity and thus the trial proceeded.

William Kase West was employed by the defendants and took an active part in the hearing. Thomas C. Welsh looked after the interest of the prosecutor. The testimony produced was in effect as follows:

Jacob Straup boarded with Jacob and Ida Miller. On the morning of the 14th inst., Mr. and Mrs. Miller proclaimed the fact that a robbery had been committed in their house, two valuable rings and a bracelet having disappeared. When Straup, the complainant, was apprised by Mr. and Mrs. Miller of what had occurred, he cried out:

"Wait till I look and see whether my money is all right."

He unlocked his trunk with feverish haste and lo, his money, every cent of it, had vanished. By this time, according to the testimony, complainant and defendants had both become mutually suspicious of the other.

Straup brought forth the testimony that Mrs. Miller has a trunk the key of which unlocks his trunk. It was this circumstance that determined him to cause her arrest. It is now up to the justice to determine whether a prima facie case has been made out against the defendants or whether the house was the scene of a robbery, of which the perpetrators are unknown.

Germany has taken great interest in bee culture in recent years, and the crop is about 20,000 tons a year. Spain is a close second of the European countries.

LIST OF APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSE IN MONTOUR COUNTY AT JANUARY SESSION, 1908.

At License Court to be held January 24th, 1908 at 10 o'clock a. m., for Hotel, Wholesale Liquor Stores, Distillers, Brewers and Bottlers, with names, places of residence, location, &c., of each.

- NAMES OF APPLICANTS. Eugene T. Linnard, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Irvin A. Snyder, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. James C. Heddens, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. S. M. Dietz, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Carl Litz, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Daniel B. Heddens, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Daniel Marks, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Emil Gaertner, 1st ward, Brewery. William C. Williams, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Joseph Smith, 1st ward, Danville, Hotel. Albert Kemmer, 2nd ward, Danville, Hotel. W. H. N. Walker, 2nd ward, Danville, Hotel. Elias Maier, 3rd ward, Danville, Restaurant. George F. Smith, 3rd ward, Danville, Restaurant. Paul P. Swentek, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. James Tooley, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. John Bateman, 3rd ward, Danville, Wholesale Liquor Store. Franklin L. Cochell, 3rd ward, Danville, Restaurant. Pat McCaffrey, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Clarence E. Peifer, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. John C. Peifer, 3rd ward, Danville, Wholesale Liquor Store. George A. Meyers, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Charles Beyer, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. James Ryan, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Eugene Moyer, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. John Kranack, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Wm. C. Dougherty, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. William Spade, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Charles A. Rauch, 3rd ward, Danville, Hotel. Harry W. Fields, 3rd ward, Danville, Restaurant. Hanover Brewing Company, 4th ward, Danville, Brewery. Wm. Houghton, Exchange, Anthony township, Hotel. Thomas Garnhart, Derry township, Hotel. Richard B. Moser, Derry township, Hotel. Adolph Webber, Liberty township, Hotel. W. D. Wise, Valley township, Hotel. Francis Sheatler, Valley township, Hotel. Samuel K. Antrim, Valley township, Hotel. Fanny Heddens, Washingtonville, Hotel. Amanda L. Heddens, Washingtonville, Hotel. Notice is hereby given that the foregoing named persons have filed with the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Montour County, their Petitions for License, which will be presented to the said Court on Friday, the 24th day of January, A. D. 1908 at 10 o'clock a. m. THOS. G. VINCENT, Clerk of Q. S. Danville, Pa., January 1st, 1908.

NOT TOO LATE FOR AN ICE CROP

Our icemen, not without cause, are beginning to feel some anxiety on the score of the next ice crop. The present season is peculiar in that, while the winter is not distinctively an "open" one with rain and mud as a rule, mercury seems to hang around the freezing point, seldom going far below. With the exception of an occasional day the weather may be said to be bracing and invigorating rather than wintry in its nature—which would be agreeable and satisfactory enough if it were not that all classes are interested in obtaining an ice crop for the coming summer.

While there are thin ice floes on the river the stream up to the present, although in the last half of January has come nowhere near closing. On the ponds there is a fair quality of ice scarcely six inches thick and while the cutting of ice has actually begun all will agree that from the present standpoint the outlook for a big ice crop is not encouraging.

There is, however, plenty of time yet for an abundant ice harvest if the climatic conditions of last winter are to be taken as a criterion. How many persons recall that it was not until January 18th last winter that we had our first snowfall that was worthy of the name? Up to that date the weather had been nearly uniformly wet and cloudy with misty atmosphere and muddy roads. On January 28 mercury dropped to four degrees below zero, which was the first of the season that the climatic conditions seemed to justify the hope that there might be an ice crop.

As is well known we had our winter in the latter part of January and February and there was an abundance of ice. Prior to the present date this year we have had zero weather and two weeks ago there was snow of greater depth than fell on January 18 last year.

DEATH OF AN AGED WOMAN

Mrs. Emeline Squires, an aged and respected resident of Exchange, died Monday at the home of her niece, Miss Annie Reeder, after an illness of a year.

Mrs. Squires was the widow of John Squires and was 83 years old. She was a native of Bloomsburg, her maiden name being Mehring. She was a member of St. James Episcopal church at Exchange, from where the funeral will be held on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, meeting at the house at 10:30.

The deceased was a widely known woman and generally beloved. She had been in ill health for nearly a year, being confined to her bed for a great part of the time.

WASHINGTONVILLE GIRL SCALDED

Miss Izora Heddens, the daughter of A. L. Heddens, proprietor of the Eagle hotel, at Washingtonville, met with a serious and painful accident Monday when a wash boiler of hot water was precipitated over her.

Miss Heddens and her father were lifting the boiler of water off the stove to a tub, when the young lady slipped. She was deluged with the contents her entire right side receiving the full effect of the steaming water. Her right shoulder and arm and the entire right side of her body were badly scalded. After the accident Miss Heddens suffered muc pain.

Roads Are Good.

The country roads are in fine condition, which is rather unusual for this time of the year. From Washingtonville comes the report that yesterday a number of automobilists were out enjoying a spin through the bracing winter air.

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