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ITEMS CONDENSED.

Joseph H. Jameson, a farmer of Elverton, Chester county, owns three cows that in a year produced milk valued at \$393.38.

Reading hotels have put pet dogs on their black list and none can be taken to the rooms of the guests.

George Smith, of Marshall's Creek, Monroe county, has a lamb six weeks old that has six perfectly formed legs.

Four cows and two horses perished in the incendiary fire which destroyed the large barn of Levi Kepler, near Pottstown, early Sunday morning.

Pittsburg will entertain the national council of the Presbyterian Brotherhood today.

The State railroad commission has completed its preliminary work of organization and is ready to go to work.

An individual who advertised for a wife through the columns of a Pittsburg paper received 131 replies from women living in Pittsburg and vicinity.

A confiding young woman has journeyed all the way from Danascus, the world's oldest city, to Greensburg, to wed a fellow countryman who awaited her there.

Crazed by Spiritualism, Sarah Mordell, aged 30 years, committed suicide at her home in Philadelphia by drinking wine, morphine and prussic acid. She longed for the joys painted by the mediums.

Thomas Robinson, whose home is near Outcrop, Fayette county, was 91 years old last Saturday. He has never been over 100 miles from the place of his birth and during the sixty years of his married life has not been away from home more than one day and night.

Rufus Eschbach, who owns a farm near New Tripoli, Lehigh county, has a very valuable ram among his other belongings. The other night a strange dog entered the sheepfold and attacked a ewe. The powerful ram charged the dog, breaking a leg and inflicting other serious injuries. Later on the intending sheep thief was shot by Mr. Eschbach.

State Treasurer-elect Sheatz has written to John J. Oates, a business man of Charleroi, Washington county, to the effect that when he assumes the duties of his office he will deposit the funds of the state in the different banks and trust companies in as equitable a manner as possible and no political party organization or clique will be permitted to have anything to do with the placing of the people's money.

A Kittanning justice has dismissed the charges brought against four prominent residents of that town for using dynamite to remove the ice in the Allegheny river which threatened the destruction of their boats. The charges were instituted by direction of the department of fisheries which held that the men should have obtained permission before using the dynamite.

A dispatch from Oil City says that the Petroleum bridge, the first structure to span the Allegheny river at that point, thirty-five years old and recently purchased by the county, has been condemned and closed to vehicles and street car traffic.

During a drunken brawl among a lot of aliens at Monongahela, George Slawichy, a Pole, was slashed twice across the face by a knife in the hands of an unknown assailant. The sight of both eyes was destroyed.

The nineteenth annual commencement exercises of the Carlisle Indian school are in progress this week. There are twenty-seven graduates.

The novel spectacle of moving a fire to a position convenient to water plugs was witnessed in Chester recently when a blazing box car was manned and run to a position near the water supply. Then the fire was extinguished.

Six Italians arrested at Sewickley, Allegheny county, last February for alleged threats against prominent persons, have been discharged and the costs put on the county. The district attorney admitted that the sensational charges brought against the accused could not be substantiated.

The Franklin constable who threatened to arrest every woman giving prizes at a card party has got into the toils himself, having been arrested and fined \$5 and costs for tacking a notice on a telegraph pole.

REV. MR. FOSTER'S CLOSING SUNDAY

The Rev. M. K. Foster Sunday officiated for the last time at St. Paul's M. E. church, closing a two year's pastorate. Incidentally he has rounded out fifty years in the ministry.

Rev. M. K. Foster ranks with the leading pulpits of the Central Pennsylvania conference and it is worthy of note that, notwithstanding his fifty years of unremitting labor in the ministry his discourse Sunday was of the same high order that characterized his efforts when in the prime of strength and manhood. The sermon was indeed a treat, a clear and logical—indeed, an eloquent—presentation of gospel truth, throwing light upon a point which with some people is the cause of a good deal of doubt and perplexity.

The sermon, showed how man is justified in the sight of God in holding the lower animals, in subjection, making beasts of burden of them or slaughtering them for food notwithstanding that they might seem to be, like man, entitled to life or freedom.

The text was found in the 10th chapter of Matthew 31st verse: "Fear ye not, therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows."

Taking up the subject of a superintending providence the speaker passed on to a discussion of the value of men as compared with things. Because as compared with sparrows we are more valuable than sparrows we may lay them to service. Sparrows in this sense must include all life lower than man.

God has so ordained that the less shall serve the greater; that inferior life shall be sacrificed for superior life. The bird eats the worm and man eats the bird.

But has not everything that lives a right to its life? Why then should the bird deprive worms of life or man take the life of beasts?

An answer to these questions will be found in the fact that it is in harmony with God's order that one should be sacrificed for the other. It is true that God does watch over all his works, that he feeds the sparrows as well as ministers to the life and welfare of man, but at the same time he has ordained that inferior life should be sacrificed for the well being of the higher order of life. In Genesis God in substance declares that he has given to man dominion over the fowls of the air, the fishes of the sea and every thing that lives on the earth.

We are not justified in abusing the beasts over which we have dominion, although we may press them into service to us in anyway that they can be useful to us.

In this connection the speaker touched lightly upon the principle of vivisection. When life is to be sacrificed, it must be of the lower forms. To illustrate, a horse may be run to death in saving a human life—if one is to be sacrificed it must be the horse, not the man.

How shall we explain this difference in value? A hasty investigation might suggest that the superior value of man lies in his cost—his cost in the way of redemption. This position might be taken if it were not for the fact that sacrifice is involved. Man is not justified in risking his life to save a brute, but only to save a human being and this no matter how low down in the scale, how unworthy from a moral or religious standpoint the person in peril may be—even though an imbecile or a child. Indeed, he made it clear that the more morally derelict a man becomes the greater is the necessity for sacrifice to the end that his life may be prolonged and that he ultimately may be won to God.

By our creation we were made susceptible to the keenest pain and endowed with capacity for the appreciation of that which is good and pure. In the inferior animals the capacity for suffering and for happiness is so small as not to be taken into account.

Man is valuable, but valuable to whom? We are beneficiaries of all that great and good men have accomplished in the ages that are past. Every poem, every painting, every work of art, every discovery is ours. Man as he comes into the world and takes his place among men is a debtor to the world's progress.

We ought to see to it that we secure and maintain bodily health. Generally speaking, we ought to be ashamed to be sick. We would do well to avail ourselves of schools, etc., that we may measure up to all the possibilities that are in us.

We should reflect that we are capable of attaining to spiritual qualities. We are to grow as the lilies grow—into physical stature and completeness. We should be valuable to the world—be valuable to ourselves. We should have a good opinion of ourselves—that we may not offend God, in whose sight we "are of more value than many sparrows."

MRS. GOLDSMITH CLAIMED BY DEATH

Mrs. Caroline Ramer Goldsmith, whose serious illness was noted in these columns, departed this life at her home, Lower Mulberry street, at 12:30 o'clock Monday afternoon following a protracted illness.

The deceased was the widow of the late Samuel Goldsmith, who died seven years ago. She was born in Saxony, Germany and came to America when thirteen years of age. She was a resident of Danville for over forty-eight years. Her age was 68 years, 11 months and 4 days.

Mrs. Goldsmith was most highly esteemed by all who knew her. Kindness and generosity were the distinguishing traits of her character. She was one of the leading spirits of the Woman's Benevolent society and was never happier than when engaged in charitable work.

Three sons and five daughters survive: William, Simon and Charles Goldsmith, of Philadelphia; Rose (Mrs. Max Gross) of Bloomsburg; Gertrude (Mrs. Samuel Sondheim) of Lehigh; Miss Bertha, Minnie (Mrs. Harry Ellenbogen), Blanche (Mrs. Herbert Dreifuss) of this city.

The funeral will take place today at 11 a. m.

FUNERAL OF MRS. P. M. KERNS

Mrs. P. M. Kerns was consigned to the grave in St. Joseph's cemetery on Monday morning. The funeral was held from St. Joseph's Catholic church at 9 a. m. High requiem mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Foin, rector of St. Hubert's church. There was a large attendance.

The pall bearers were: Michael Egan, M. J. Kelly, John Farrell, John McGovern, Peter Griffith and Joseph Sawinsky.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral were: Mrs. M. A. Highton, New York; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. O'Neil, Mr. and Mrs. James Kerns and son James, Mr. and Mrs. John Kerns and son John, Miss Katie Mellon, of Philadelphia; Miss Nora Farrell, J. F. Farrell, M. P. Egan, M. J. Kelley, J. F. McGovern, of New Philadelphia; Mrs. A. M. Sawinsky, Jamison City, and Mrs. Joseph Sawinsky, of Berwick.

KEPT WEDDING SECRET 3 MONTHS

David J. Reese and Miss Jennie M. Carter were married on December 31st by Rev. John Sherman at the parsonage of the First Baptist church. Since then the young couple have kept the secret of their marriage so well that not even their closest friends were aware of the ceremony having taken place.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Reese are widely known and highly esteemed young people. The groom is employed at the First National bank.

Delightful Birthday Party.

A very delightful and successful surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Roderick, Pine street, in honor of Miss Anna Reese's birthday. The house was very tastefully decorated with cut flowers. The evening was very pleasantly spent with various games and music which was furnished by an orchestra. After which a luncheon was served.

Those present were Misses Lottie Steinhagen of Pottsville; Bertha Liby Alma Campbell, Anna Freeze, Maud Bennett, Hattie Adams, Edith Reese, Sadie Kear, Jessie Roderick, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Roderick, Messrs John Pritchard, Ed. Dreifuss, Harry Kase, Orville and Durban Ott, Robert and William Rabb, Bridget Ronnoley, Arthur Reese, Edward Roderick and Mr. Frank Downs, of Sunbury.

Miss Reese received a number of gifts. At a late hour they all departed for their homes wishing her many happy returns.

Pheasant Came from Ireland.

Michael Ryan Tuesday received a bird the like of which has probably never been seen in Danville before. It was an English pheasant, which came from Belfast, Ireland, and which was consigned to Mr. Ryan in this city. The bird is a very valuable one, the express charges alone amounting to \$36.

The English pheasant is about as large as a game cock, and with plumage of varied and beautiful hues. It is Mr. Ryan's intention to breed the pheasant with game chickens.

Another Flood.

Another flood is on the river, the water being about as high as at any time this season. It is a fact that during the last two weeks the river has been hanging around high water mark and that on the whole the North branch has been higher this spring than for some years past.

HOTEL LICENSE TRANSFERRED

A short session of court was held Tuesday morning for the purpose of transferring the liquor license at the hotel at Mooresburg. C. O. Evans, President Judge, and Associates Elce and Welliver were on the bench.

The applicant was William Eckert of Rebersburg, Center county, who desired the license held by Adolph Weber at Mooresburg transferred to him. The hotel stand is the well-known two-story frame building at the corner of Main and Coal streets in Mooresburg, owned by Charles S. Middleton.

No oral testimony was given as to the applicant's good character and general fitness to conduct a hotel; a number of letters, however, bearing on the matter from well-known people at Bellefonte and other points were submitted, which seemed to satisfy the court as to Mr. Eckert's qualifications and, after approving the sureties on the bond, the transfer of license was accordingly made as prayed for.

The hotel at Mooresburg was without license for many years, but recently it has become quite a popular hostelry, as it is the only public house on the Milton road between Maudsdale and Milton. Adolph Weber, the retiring landlord, has occupied the stand for two years. He will return to Berks county, where he was in business before he came to Montour county.

MISS McDERMOTT CLAIMED BY DEATH

Miss Maggie McDermott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McDermott, who reside near the fair ground, departed this life at 2:45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon following an illness of nearly three years.

The deceased was 24 years of age and beside her parents, is survived by two brothers, Thomas and Michael McDermott and four sisters, Mary, Alice, Bridget and Nellie, the latter being Mrs. Charles Barnhart.

About three years ago the deceased was bitten by a snake and she never fully recovered from the effects. She was bitten on the end of her finger by a copperhead snake one day during the summer of 1905 while on the farm of Dr. Paules.

She suffered very much from the snake bite. The effects finally superinduced an attack of rheumatism, from which she suffered for a long time, the latter disease finally becoming complicated with consumption.

Mill Burned at Milton.

Monday night about seven o'clock the bar mill of the Milton Manufacturing company's plant, generally known as Shimers' lower works, was discovered on fire. When the fire companies responded the fire had gained such headway that nothing could be done to save the building and the valuable machinery in it.

The building was a large frame structure, 80x200 feet, with slate roof. The fire originated in the lower end of the building and a strong wind drove the flames through the structure with great rapidity. In one hour from the time the fire was discovered the structure was completely destroyed.

The building was used for making washers and bar iron. The loss will run from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars, upon which there is an insurance of \$14,500. Up until last fall the puddle mill and the bar mill were under the same roof. When the new steel annex was built last year, running from the plate mill to the railroad, this building was cut in two, and the puddle department was separated from the burned building by the steel structure, which constituted a fire wall. Had this fire occurred a year ago the loss would have been three times as great as it is now.

The water pressure was very poor, indeed it was an inconsiderate factor in subduing the flames.

A Million on Pension Rolls

More pensioners died during the past year than fought on either side at the famous battle of Shiloh in 1862. This was the statement made in the house when the \$150,000,000 general pension bill was up for passage. It was shown that thousands had been stricken from the nation's roll by death. Of this number 31,201 were Civil war veterans. It was predicted that in nine years Civil war veterans will be as scarce as are Mexican war veterans today. The McCumber act, which puts the soldiers on the pension roll, according to age, without examination, increased the annual pension roll over \$100,000,000. In 1905 there were 1,004,000 pensioners, the highest number ever known, but the next year this dwindled to 985,000 and notwithstanding the increase during the last year on account of the McCumber bill, the number went down to 967,871. This number is now the smallest since 1893.

RAILROAD MEN PLANTING FLOWERS

The D. L. & W. railroad company is preparing to beautify the ground along its track between this city and the hospital for the insane. Already one large bed of flowers has been planted and the ground sodded for quite a distance.

In whatever the D. L. & W. railroad company does it studies the artistic effect. Its policy is to clean up and beautify and it is not strange that those in whose hands the improvements rest awake to the possibilities afforded by the landscape between the borough line and the hospital.

Even the tool houses on the D. L. & W. railroad are artistic—in design as well as color. The tool house along the track about midway between the borough and the hospital is no exception and it is made the setting for a nice little piece of landscape gardening carried forward by section Foreman Blizzard.

Immediately west of the tool house, on the south side of the track is a bed of narcissuses, some forty feet in length. The hardy flowers have already burst through the ground and are an inch or more in height. By Easter they will be in full bloom. The entire bank on that side of the track is remodeled, forming a low terrace, all neatly sodded over.

Between the tool house and the western end of the hospital ground the strip of land, owned by the company, skirting the track, will be leveled down and sown with white clover. Opposite the hospital ground the strip of land belonging to the railroad company will be neatly sodded. Opposite the gate house, where the train stops, another large bed of narcissus will be planted and the bank there will be remodeled so as to produce a pleasing and picturesque effect.

The intention is to install a flower bed also at the station on the long strip of ground between the track and the new concrete walk leading from the depot platform down to Church street. The latter improvement, however, may not be completed the present summer.

Rural Delivery Self-Sustaining.

The statistics of the postoffice department indicate that the rural delivery system pays its way notwithstanding its very considerable cost. The records show that in 1897 the initial cost of rural delivery was only \$14,840; but there was a deficit in that year of \$11,411,779. Ten years later, in 1907, the rural delivery expenditures had reached an aggregate of \$26,765,324, but the yearly postal deficit was only \$6,653,282. This shows, at least, that the ratio of deficit moves in a contrary direction to the ratio of rural delivery expenditure. The fact appears to be that the rural delivery has proved a bringer-in of new revenue.

There has also been accomplished a saving of \$12,000,000 through the closing of small postoffices and the discontinuance of star routes. Should congress adopt the suggestion of the postmaster general, adding a parcels delivery feature to the rural service, there is every reason to believe that the system would add heavily to the postal revenues and become more self-supporting.

It is a matter of surprise that the effort of the department in this particular has not found in more decisive backing at the hands of farmers, merchants and other country dwellers, for whom such a service would prove of the greatest convenience.

WASHINGTONVILLE COUPLE WEDDED

The wedding of Hiram Elmer Cotner, son of Former County Treasurer George P. Cotner, of Berry township and Miss Izora Heddens, daughter of A. L. Heddens, of Washingtonville, was solemnized last Friday evening by Rev. Owen Reber at Long Island, former pastor at the Washingtonville Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotner visited at the home of Rev. Reber until Tuesday, when they returned to Washingtonville, arrived there late Tuesday night. They will reside in Washingtonville.

A WELCOME FOR THEIR PASTOR

The parsonage of St. Peter's church, Riverside, was the scene of much happiness, when on Tuesday evening, a large concourse of people gathered to welcome the return of the Rev. John Conley Grimes and his wife to the labors of another year in that parish.

Besides kind words of welcome and heartily expressed gratitude for the reappointment of Mr. Grimes to Saint Peter's church, many good things to replenish the parsonage larder were brought.

BUILDING NEW COAL DREDGES

The extraction of coal from the river promises to be a thriving industry in Danville next summer. Several new coal diggers are in process of building; others are being remodeled. In all something like nine coal diggers will be ready to operate on the river here as soon as the water falls.

Among the new coal diggers will be a handsome dredge built by P. G. Baylor and sons of South Danville. It is rapidly approaching completion and will be launched yet during the present week.

The flat on which the dredging machinery will be installed is 40 feet, 9 inches long and 13 feet and 6 inches wide. The sides are sixteen inches high. The boat is so constructed that it will draw only a minimum of water in proportion to its capacity. An upright boiler and a 12-horse power engine will be installed. Two coal flats about the same size as the dredge have just been completed by Mr. Baylor.

The Forney brothers have also built a new coal digger and remodeled their old one. Several new flat boats have been added to their outfit. Abraham Hite and Ryan and Gulick, who were in the coal digging business last year, in a few days it is said, will each appear on the river with a new dredge.

Immediately below the water works the two coal dredges belonging to Rich & Son of Northumberland lie moored while on the opposite side of the river at the lower end of Riverside lie the dredge and fleet of flat boats belonging to Frank Stefflin also of Northumberland.

These three Northumberland dredges were operated during last summer at Danville, and the fact that they were tied up here during the winter would indicate that the owners contemplate putting in another summer in this immediate vicinity. Altogether it would seem likely that there may be nine or ten coal diggers operating in the river here during next summer.

River coal was extracted in considerable quantities last summer. As the result of the movement of ice and continued high water on the river additional deposits will probably be found this spring either at Danville or at points nearby.

TROLLEY CAR IN NEW ROLE

A Danville and Bloomsburg trolley car entered a new role Tuesday, when it went to the rescue of a heavy wagon that was mired at Paules' farm and succeeded in pulling it out of the rut.

The Hanover Brewery team was employed in hauling saw dust from Blecher's saw mill into town. The highway for some distance in the vicinity of Paules' farm is in a very bad condition. When the heavy brewery wagon came bowling along it sunk in up to the hub. The horses did their best, but were unable to move the wagon.

The case proved a very trying one. The faithful horses made effort after effort, but the wagon remained as though riveted to the earth. Meanwhile, at least two hours passed and driver and horses were losing patience.

The trolley cars passed several times while the wagon was mired, but they were unable to render any effectual aid, until, at the advice of General Manager W. R. Miller, a stout chain was procured, which was attached to the trolley car and fastened to the hub of the wagon.

After the horses were unhitched and taken out of the way the car was started. It was interesting to see with what ease the heavy wagon was pulled out of the deep rut by the power of electricity. It was the work of only a few seconds and the wagon stood high and dry on the solid roadway. The horses were hitched up again and the rest of the drive to town was made without incident.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MARGARET KOONS

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Koons, whose death occurred Monday, took place from the residence of her nephew, F. H. Koons, near the hospital for the insane at 9 a. m. yesterday. The Rev. O. W. Raver officiated.

Interment was made at Turbotville. The long drive of sixteen miles was made without much difficulty. The roads were not especially bad between this city and Washingtonville; at a few points between the latter place and Turbotville they were very bad. At James' church the highway was almost impassable.

Many of the postmasters of Pennsylvania will meet in Harrisburg on the 21st inst., for the purpose of organizing a State association of postmasters.

TO WIDEN WEST MAHONING STREET

Pursuant to the action of council at the last meeting the committee on streets and bridges is making a thorough investigation of conditions on West Mahoning street.

The latter thoroughfare is the cause of general complaint, it being out of grade, deficient in sidewalks and for a square or so altogether too narrow to accommodate traffic. It is the latter defect, however, that presents the most difficult problem.

Mahoning creek, which at that point forms a curve, a short distance below Chestnut street has encroached upon the street, cutting into the high embankment, narrowing the roadway some ten or fifteen feet. The street is thus affected for a distance of at least a square.

At the last meeting a petition was presented to council, signed by fifty-four taxpayers and asking that needed improvements be made. The matter was referred to the committee on streets and bridges who were instructed to make investigations and report at the next meeting of council.

The matter therefore will be sure to come up at the meeting Friday night. There is much curiosity among the fifty-four petitioners to learn what plan will be recommended if any, to improve or widen the street.

It is said that the Reading Iron company is willing to restore the bank where washed away by dumping cinders on the spot, if the borough will provide a temporary trestling on which to run the cars across the meadow and the creek to West Mahoning street.

ELECTION FOR 1st LIEUTENANT

Captain F. M. Herrington has received orders from regimental headquarters to hold an election in Company F, Twelfth regiment, N. G. P., to elect a first lieutenant to succeed W. D. Holloway, whose resignation was accepted a few weeks ago.

Captain Herrington yesterday stated that the election will take place on the evening of April 9th at 8 o'clock. There are no other vacancies and the election will be held solely for the purpose of electing a first lieutenant.

Company F has plenty of good material for first lieutenant, but whether the office will be filled from the ranks or by some one chosen from outside the company can not be determined at present. It is understood that one or more young men not in the company at present have fair chance of being elected. At the same time it is quite certain that, if things being equal, men belonging to the company, should any be nominated would have a decided advantage.

Company F is taking in new members at every drill. The personnel ranks high and the future of the company seems assured. There is still room for a few good men. It is hoped that the company will be successful in securing a first lieutenant that will measure fully up to the requirements of the situation.

ONE CASE OF TYPHOID FEVER

The report of the local registrar to the bureau of vital statistics for the month of March reveals a most encouraging state of affairs as pertains to the public health.

Typhoid fever, which we have had with us since last summer is now practically stamped out. The report for March reveals but one case. There was only one case of diphtheria, one case of mumps, while scarlet fever and measles are entirely absent from the report. There were four cases of pneumonia, one death resulting. There were two cases of pulmonary tuberculosis, with one death from that disease.

The present is a season of the year when the doctors usually are kept very busy. The excellent showing of the report just turned in should be a cause for general self-congratulation in this district.

The whole number of deaths reported for March is twenty-eight. Of this number eleven deaths occurred at the hospital for the insane.

For February, 26 deaths in the district were reported. The number of births for the same month, was twenty. Figures relating to the births for March are not available and can not be presented until next month. In February five cases of typhoid were reported; in January, four cases. During December and a couple of months preceding typhoid assumed the proportions of an epidemic in Danville.

At Wilkes-Barre the Luzerne county court has barred that indictments brought again six election officers charged with fraud at the election in November, 1906, must be tried.