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ITEMS CONDENSED.

The temperance people of West Grove, Chester county, have just commenced the erection of a \$7,000 hotel in the town.

Since the beginning of the present year the commissioners of Beaver county have spent over \$1,000 for the Pasteur treatment of persons bitten by mad dogs.

William Evans, a miner, fell down a mine breach in West Schuylkill near Pottsville, a distance of 300 feet, but dropped on a mule that was lying at the bottom, which broke the fall so that his injuries were slight.

Indications point to a very busy fall at the great Bethlehem Steel works and the clerical force has just been notified to take their vacations during July, as none will be granted in August.

While Mrs. Joseph Diller, aged 48 years, wife of a well known farmer residing near Hanover, York county, was waiting in the office of Dr. R. N. Melsenhelder, for a consultation with him, she was stricken with heart disease and died in a few minutes.

Henry Leh, a prominent merchant of Allentown, has secured 257 big four-horse loads of hay from seventy-five acres.

The yield of milk is falling off greatly in Southern Chester county on account of the pastures getting "short" on account of the drought.

The York Benevolent association has purchased 500 tons of anthracite coal for distribution to the poor of York next winter.

The seventeenth annual assembly of the Pennsylvania Chautauque, at Mount Gretna, Lebanon county, opened last week with an enrollment of 348 students, the largest in its history. Of these 244 are teachers.

George Laubach, of Durham, Bucks county, has a hen that is a very good layer, and has selected a large grandfather rocking chair in the parlor as her nest for laying, and will not be satisfied unless she gets there. Her whim is granted.

Mary Chester county farmers have begun threshing their wheat crop, realizing from twenty-five to thirty bushels per acre, a fair average.

It cost three residents of Parkersburg, Chester county, \$27 for picking cherries from a tree on a farm where there was a notice against trespassers.

James H. Fisher, of Yellow House, Berks county, has just sold the heaviest four-weeks-old calf ever raised in that section, its weight being 196 pounds.

Dr. W. J. Scanlin, a prominent physician of Shenandoah, was returning from a professional trip at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, when he discovered the inside of Covelosky's shoe store in flames. He quickly awoke the Covelosky family, which he found almost suffocated, and then sent in a general alarm.

St. John's Lutheran Orphans' home at Mars, Butler county, was dedicated on Sunday in the presence of 1,500 persons. Most of the services were held in the grove adjoining the home. The home was built at a cost of \$25,000. It adjoins St. John's Lutheran Home for the aged.

Charles Sheler, a trucker near West Chester, has planted 45,000 cabbage and 100,000 celery plants.

The silk mill at Balby, Berks county, which had been suspended for several months, has resumed operations.

On account of the intense heat many of the churches in Philadelphia held open air services on lawns or open lots on Sunday evening.

The pay roll in the mills, furnaces, coke plants and coal mines of the various companies clearing through Pittsburgh banks was the largest on Saturday of any pay day since last October.

Two men were killed and eight injured, one seriously, on Saturday evening, when a flat car on which fifteen men were riding overturned.

Fayette village

SUNDAY SELLING CASES APPEALED

The case against Joseph Smith and Theodore Hoffman, butchers, brought under the act of 1794, to enforce Sunday closing, which was continued from last Wednesday, was heard before Justice of the Peace Oglesby Friday afternoon. Each case was appealed.

Hon. R. S. Ammerman appeared as counsel for the defendants. A number of witnesses, subpoenaed by the prosecutor, were on hand.

The information, signed by Joseph Divel, was read. It set forth in substance that on the 28th of June, 1908, it being the Lord's day, Joseph Smith at his shop No. 407 Mill street, did offer for sale and did sell meat, said work, employment, and business not being work of necessity or charity, contrary to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided. Therefore the said Joseph Smith forfeits four dollars.

To this information Mr. Smith pleaded not guilty.

Frank Weniger, Mrs. Margaret Curry and Thomas E. Murray, witnesses, testified that they bought meat at the shop of the defendant on Sunday, June 28th. In each case the witness declared that the meat was sold to them as an accommodation—that Mr. Smith had not solicited their trade on Sunday.

The justice decided that the defendant was guilty and had forfeited four dollars. Mr. Ammerman notified the justice that he would appeal the case to court.

THEO. HOFFMAN ARRAIGNED.

Justice Oglesby read another information, similar to the preceding, signed by Joseph Divel, charging Theodore Hoffman with selling meat at his shop, No. 108 East Market street, on Sunday, June 28th in violation of the act of 1794. Mr. Hoffman likewise pleaded not guilty.

Daniel B. Fetterman and Mrs. Thomas testified that they bought meat at the shop of Theodore Hoffman on Sunday, June 28th. They both explained that they made their purchase with out any solicitation on the part of Mr. Hoffman—that the act of selling was purely an accommodation to them.

Justice Oglesby decided that the defendant was guilty and that he had forfeited four dollars. In this case, as in the one against Mr. Smith, Mr. Ammerman informed the justice that he would appeal.

ADDITIONAL CASES.

At this point the justice created surprise by producing another information charging Joseph Smith with selling meat on Sunday, July 5th, in violation of the act of 1794. The information was signed by Joseph Divel. Mr. Smith entered the plea of not guilty as in the foregoing case.

Among the witnesses brought to testify against Mr. Smith was County Commissioner George R. Sechler. Mr. Sechler acknowledged that he bought meat at Mr. Smith's shop on Sunday, July 5th. He declared that he had no way of keeping the meat over night and that the weather was very warm.

William Fausnaught was the next witness. He explained that he occupies rooms on the second story and was without ice, except a little purchase to cool water for drinking purposes. He regarded it as an accommodation that he was enabled to purchase meat on Sunday; otherwise he could not have had fresh meat for his Sunday dinner.

The decision of the justice was the same. He adjudged the defendant guilty and fined him four dollars additional for selling meat on Sunday, July 5th.

2ND CASE AGAINST HOFFMAN.

Information similar to the preceding, signed by Joseph Divel, was next read charging Theodore Hoffman with selling meat on Sunday, July 5th. Mr. Hoffman pleaded not guilty.

Jacob Mills was called to testify. He bought meat at the shop of Mr. Hoffman on Sunday, July 5th, but declared that it was an act of necessity, as he was without ice and had no way of preserving the meat.

Mr. Hoffman, the defendant, was called by Mr. Ammerman. He sold meat on Sunday, he said, because he regarded it an act of necessity. In his part of town, he declared, there are forty families, who do not own refrigerators. Some of these are too poor to indulge in the luxury of ice, while others live at outlying points, not included on the icemen's routes. Mr. Smith, who had previously been called to testify, explained that among his customers are many too poor to purchase ice, even if they did not live at points out of the way of the ice men. To refuse to open his shop on Sunday morning in his opinion would be to deprive those people of fresh meat for their Sunday dinner.

In the second case against Mr. Hoffman, as in the first, the justice adjudged him guilty and fined him four dol-

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CLAIMANT IN SUIT FOR \$80,000,000

The fact is not generally known here that there lives in Danville the chief claimant in a suit about to be instituted against the city of Wilmington, Delaware, to recover to the heirs of Charles Springer over 1800 acres of leased land upon which the major part of the city of Wilmington is built. The value of the land is estimated at about \$80,000,000.

The fortunate individual in question is our townsman, Jacob Aten, the great great grandson of Charles Christopher Springer, the original owner of the tract.

The land was leased to the city of Wilmington about 125 years ago, in three leases, the last of which ran out in 1895 or thereabout, which should have thrown the land directly back to the heirs. The amount involved, however, was so great and the questions involved so weighty that many thousands of dollars have been expended and much work undertaken in preparation for the suit. Now everything is in readiness and it remains only to finish up the minor details before the suit will be begun.

Mr. Aten bases his claim on the fact that through his mother, a daughter of John Springer, who was a grandson of the original Charles, he is the great, great grandson of Charles and the oldest surviving descendant, and chief heir to the legacy.

Mr. Aten has in his possession all the documents necessary to prove the line of direct descent and on which is based the entire suit. They include among other things, the family bible of Conrad Springer the son of Charles as well as a genealogy of the house of Springer dating back to Carl of Sweden who lived several generations prior to the birth of Charles.

The fight has been in progress about 30 years. Two organizations have been formed embracing in one or the other all the claimants of the estate, the western organization with headquarters at Cleveland, Ohio, and the eastern organization with headquarters in this city. Money has been contributed from time to time, so that at present the organization has ample means in its treasury to meet all expenses.

A significant fact in connection with the claim, is that the city of Wilmington has virtually recognized the claim that it stands on leased ground, by refusing to sell a foot of the land in question at any time within the last hundred years, every so called property holder on the tract really being a lessee of the city.

The majority of the near heirs reside in Montour county. Conrad, the son of Charles lies buried at Strawberry Ridge and his children with two exceptions all settled with a radius of twelve miles of this city.

LONG DISTANCE HIKERS RETURN

Tanned and dusty, the party of five long distance "hikers" who have been attending the Pennsylvania bible conference at Eagles Mere for the past ten days, returned to their homes in this city Sunday afternoon. They report a most enjoyable trip.

The party, which is composed of General Secretary C. H. Manley, Lundy Russel, Edward Hurley, Guy Williams and H. R. McClure, left the Mere Saturday morning at 7 o'clock, reaching Seneca, in Pine township, Columbia county, Saturday evening, making about twenty-five miles for Saturday. At eight o'clock Sunday morning they left Seneca and arrived in Danville at 1:30, having walked about twenty miles.

While at the conference the "hikers" attended three out of the five meetings held daily, devoting the remainder of their time to recreation. They exchanged views with walking clubs from Milton, Lock Haven, West Chester and Brookville (the latter 210 miles distant from Eagles Mere) and learned that the Danville pedestrians made better time, on the average, than any of the other clubs. The Danville party was the only one to walk both ways. While at Eagles Mere the local party occupied a cottage, part of the Forest Inn outfit, which they had to themselves the entire time.

A HERO IN THE PARTY.

Guy Williams, of the Danville party, on two occasions during their stay at Eagles Mere, proved himself a hero. At one time Mr. Williams plunged from a wharf into the lake to save a child that had fallen into the water. The child would have been drowned but for Mr. Williams' prompt action. At another time, Mr. Williams assisted another man to save a girl from drowning, who had gotten beyond her depth in the lake and who was attacked with cramps. People were loud in their praise of the Danville boy on both occasions.

In one day Mathias Fritz, of Kutztown, Berks county, caught 270 frogs at Mantz.

COURT FIXES DIETRICH'S BAIL

At a session of court held Saturday morning it was decided by the bench to allow Peter Dietrich, now confined in the Montour county jail, awaiting trial in the Luzerne county court in September for the killing of James A. Jones, to enter bail in the sum of \$15,000 for his appearance at the time specified.

The movement to secure the release of Peter Dietrich on bail was made at a session of the court held Saturday, June 27th, at which time Judge Evans fixed \$15,000 as the amount, but announced that inasmuch as he was undecided as to which court had jurisdiction in Dietrich's case now that a change of venue had been granted, he would defer final action in granting bail until a later date. In view of the action of Saturday morning it was evidently the decision that the matter of bail still lay in the hands of the Montour county court.

The order of the court was as follows:

"The venue in this case having changed to the oyer and terminer of Luzerne county and counsel for the defense having applied to the court to fix the amount of bail; the court require and order the defendant to enter into recognizance with good and sufficient securities, to be approved by the court, in the sum of \$15,000, conditioned for his appearance in the court of oyer and terminer of Luzerne county at the first day of the next term thereof, to wit, September 14th., 1908. By the court,

CHARLES C. EVANS, P. J. L. W. WELLIVER, A. J."

DIVORCES GRANTED.

At the session of court the following divorces were granted:

Emma Mazaal Beyer vs. Joseph Beyer.

Anna C. Williams vs. John Munroe Williams.

Verna Eleanor Hetrick vs. Oliver Roy Hetrick.

Maud M. Farnsworth vs. Duke Farnsworth.

IN CAMP AT ROARING CREEK

A number of young ladies from Ashland, Mount Carmel and nearby towns have been enjoying an outing at Roaring Creek, for the past ten days, and scarcely a day passes but a number are seen on our streets loaded down with provisions making their way to the South Danville station.

There are eighteen in the camp, all college girls taking a much needed vacation and taking advantage of every opportunity to improve their physical being. A favorite method seems to be in consuming large quantities of food, bread and butter predominating, as evidenced by a recent purchase of one hundred and fifty loaves of bread from one of our local merchants.

In the party are Misses Grace and Ruth Green, Alice McConnell, Elizabeth Lessing, Helen Reichard, Ida Detman, Laura Wallauer, Frank Lessig and Gertrude Samuels, chaperone, of Ashland; Misses Alma and Marie McConnell, Elizabeth Davis and Bill Watkins, of Mt. Carmel; Miss Evelyn Freed, of North Wales; Miss Amy John, of Lykens; Misses Hazel and Myrtle Longenberger, of Mainville and Miss Adele Koch, of West Point, Nebraska.

MORE SOLDIERS MAY BE HERE

Danville will probably have a chance to see another large squad of soldiers in a few days, as batteries D and E of the first field artillery, U. S. A., will leave Wilkes-Barre, July 16, on their return to Fort Myers, Va., and it is said that they will pass over the same route taken by the cavalrymen which passed through Danville a few weeks ago, on its way to Pine Plains, New York.

Two full batteries of U. S. artillery fully equipped is a sight seldom witnessed in this vicinity, and the presence of the batteries here would arouse wide spread interest. The two companies comprise 330 officers and men, 230 horses twenty-six mules.

The artillery will arrive in Wilkes-Barre from Auburn, N. Y., on July 16, and after a two days' stop they will start out for Fort Myers, Va. Unless plans are changed they will come down the valley, to this town, getting here about the 20th of the month. These two companies were among the many other similar companies which took part in the recent maneuvers at Pine Plains, N. Y.

Returned From Hospital.

William Maier, manager of the Grand Union Tea company's branch store in this city, who has been undergoing treatment at the Joseph Ratti hospital Bloomsburg, for a fever, was discharged from that institution Tuesday, and returned to his home here.

E. O. BICKEL CHOSEN PRINCIPAL

The Danville school board met Monday eve in regular session and elected Prof. E. O. Bickel, of Milton, to fill the vacancy in the principalship of the high school caused by the resignation of Prof. E. S. Bream.

Mr. Sechler, of the committee on teachers and certificates, recommended for the position of principal of the high school Prof. E. O. Bickel, a graduate of Bucknell, who has had several years of experience in teaching. The gentleman, Mr. Sechler stated, has high recommendations, especially from the school board of New Windsor, Maryland, where he taught last term. On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Burns, the report of Mr. Sechler was accepted and a vote ordered taken. Mr. Bickel was elected unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Redding it was ordered that the building and repairs committee advertise for bids for cleaning the different school buildings.

On motion of Mr. Fischer it was ordered that no more new subjects be added to the curriculum of the high school, but that all attention be paid to extending the efficiency of the studies already being taught.

SCHOOL HOUSE RENTED

A communication was received from the Maloning Knitting Mill company, Thos. DeLaney, superintendent, asking that an agreement be entered into between his company and the school board for the rental of the flat school building at a rental of \$10 per month. Mr. Burns moved that the agreement be entered into as asked. The motion was carried with the provision that if the company does not start operations within six months, the building revert to the school board.

On motion the rates for non-resident pupils were made the same as last year.

On motion of Mr. Orth, Mr. Jones was given the contract for cleaning the cess pool of the Welsh Hill school house on his bid of \$30.

On motion it was ordered that the building and repair committee have the roof of the first ward building thoroughly examined by Mr. Brugler with a view to repairing same.

On motion of Mr. Sechler, it was decided to purchase six relief maps for the schools not already equipped.

The following members were present: Fischer, Sechler, Swartz, Lloyd, Cole, Pursel, Redding, Burns, Orth and Fish.

Treasurer Schram reported a balance on hand for June of \$10,436.75.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Fred R. Miller, Williamsport... \$4.50; George Mack, repairs... 29.75; Standard Gas Co... 1.88; Morning News... 7.15; Robert Miller... 9.00; W. H. Orth... 1.57; Moyer Bros... 19.60; Adams Express Co... .30; Supt Dieffenbacher... 100.00; Ezra Haas... .25; E. E. Shultz... 3.00

MAKING HAY IN LEAP YEAR

That the fair damsels of Montour county are quietly getting busy and taking advantage of their prerogative that comes every fourth year, to turn the tables on the sterner sex and "pop" the question, is evidenced by the data gleaned from the marriage license book at the court house.

The number of licenses issued so far this year is running well ahead of the number issued last year, and this, too, in the face of adverse conditions. From January 1st to July 13th, 1907, there were issued 54 licenses, while during the same period this year there have been 60 couples to apply at the court house for the necessary permission to trot over life's rocky road in double harness.

An ununiformed person would be inclined to forecast a slack year in the marriage license business for 1908, on account of the so-called "hard times" as many young men are averse to adding to their expense account when steady employment is uncertain. That so many fair home makers have induced their beaux to enter into a state of connubial bliss, testifies to the persuasive powers and attractiveness of the Montour county maidens.

SLIPPED ON BANANA PEEL

While returning from market with a basket full of vegetables Tuesday morning, Mrs. Richard W. Eggert suffered a severe fall as the result of slipping on a banana peel which a little girl standing nearby had thoughtlessly thrown on the sidewalk. The accident occurred in front of Emerick's store and in falling Mrs. Eggert struck her head on the show case which stands outside causing a severe bruise. She was dazed for a few moments but on being helped to her feet was able to continue unassisted.

CLASS WILL SEND EIGHT TO COLLEGE

To the class graduated from the Danville high school this year belongs the honor of sending more of its members to finish their education in higher schools of learning than any preceding class.

The class numbered twenty-one, thirteen girls and eight boys, and will send to college at least six boys and two girls, making a total of eight, or more than one-third of the class.

The faculty is highly elated over the fact that the students almost without exception are able to enter their chosen college or university directly from the local high school, no preparatory course being required, and very few entrance examinations. This speaks extremely well both for the abilities of the young men and women themselves and for the efficiency and broad scope of the high school courses. In many towns the size of Danville and even larger it is the rule rather than the exception for the graduates desiring to enter college, to first spend several years in a preparatory school to fit themselves for the entrance examinations.

Besides the eight named there are several that are as yet undecided so that the total may yet be swelled by the addition of several other names before the opening of the colleges in the fall. At least two of the young ladies are contemplating a course in hospital work.

Of the graduates, two will enter Lehigh university at South Bethlehem—William K. Hancock and William Books, both of whom will take engineering courses.

The University of Pennsylvania also will receive two—Jay W. Sechler, who will enter the classical course and H. R. McClure who will study architecture.

Harry Redding will enter the engineering department of State college and A. D. Reifsnnyder has not yet fully decided where he will matriculate.

Miss Mary Jenkins will enter Dickinson college and Miss Grace Shepperson will study at a college at Pittsburg.

BLOODLESS MIXUP AT SO. DANVILLE

South Danville was the scene Tuesday of a mixup between two teams that for rapidity and thoroughness was most remarkable.

The accident occurred in front of J. H. Kase's hardware store while the 10:26 Pennsy train was approaching the crossing. Harry Hallman, clerk for Bell the grocer, who was using a light buggy for a small delivery on the south side, had drawn up to the right of the road just opposite the entrance to Hoover's lumber yard, to await the passing of the train. Charles A. Gulick, of Rushton, returning from market with a heavy spring wagon drawn by a pair of spirited horses, drove up abreast of Hallman for the same purpose.

Just as the engine reached the crossing, Gulick's horses becoming frightened backed, and springing to the side to escape the noise, came full upon the lighter carriage. The weight was too much for the buggy and literally ground the two off wheels from their axles, tearing every spoke from one wheel and leaving few on the other. In addition to this the wheel hit by the horses was broken to splinters.

The whole occurrence occupied but a few seconds of time. As soon as the engine had passed with its noise and smoke, Gulick's horses became quite calm. Bell's horse, on the contrary, terrified by the dead weight behind it and the topsy turvy position of the shafts started off toward the station. About thirty or forty feet had been covered before Hallman, handicapped as he was, by the groceries, pluckily sticking to his seat, succeeded in bringing the frightened animal to a stop.

Singularly none of the horses were injured.

A FRACTURE OF THE KNEE CAP

Mrs. George W. Miles, Ferry street, sustained an unfortunate and serious injury Saturday morning, when she fractured her right knee cap.

Mrs. Miles was carrying a small oil stove from the out kitchen when her foot caught on a loose board in the walk. In her endeavor to keep herself from falling the right knee was given a sharp wrench causing a transverse fracture of the patella or knee cap. Drs. Patten and Newbaker reduced the fracture. A coincidence in connection with the accident is that Mrs. Miles sustained a fracture of the left knee cap just ten years ago.

Juvenile Base Ball.

The "Bumble Bees" peeled the "Nine Little Potatoes Hard to Peel" in a game of base ball yesterday afternoon on Hickey's lawn by the score of 14 to 5.

GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW HOMES

Ground was broken at the hospital for the insane yesterday, for the block of four dwellings, the contract for which was awarded to A. C. Everhart of Berwick, on May 21st on his bid of \$12,385.

The specifications call for a block of four frame and brick dwelling houses. By this is meant a frame house with a sheeting of white pine and a veneering of brick.

They will be built upon the most modern lines and will embrace all the modern appointments.

M. T. Ohl, of Bloomsburg, to whom the contract for the stone work has been sublet was on the ground early yesterday morning with three masons and several helpers and by evening had gotten the work well under way. The excavation has been completed and the foundation walk started. By this morning Mr. Ohl expects to double his force and will add more from time to time, most of the skilled workmen employed being brought down from Bloomsburg where they are employed by the contractor.

The block will be seventy five feet long by forty five feet wide and will be divided into two double houses giving each dwelling a width of about nineteen feet.

Each house will contain six rooms with bath and a handsome seven foot porch will adorn the front the entire length. In addition to this there will be two large porches in the rear. A space of about twenty feet will be left open in front for a lawn, giving the place when completion a most pleasing appearance.

The scene of the excavation is a short distance west of the D. & S. trolley terminal, to the south of the improved hospital road. The site is a perfect one and it possible that in a short time the homes at present in course of construction will be followed by others.

Mr. Ohl states that his contract calls for the delivery of the lower half of the block over to the carpenters within ten days. Therefore no work will be done on the upper block before July 22nd.

In about a week's time Mr. Ohl thinks he will be able to have this also ready for the woodwork.

BUMPED REAR END OF FREIGHT

A slight collision occurred yesterday morning near the D. L. & W. station, when a pusher collided with the rear end of a freight, smashing the locomotive's pilot and caving in the end of a steel gondola car.

Freight No. 734 had arrived at Danville when the crew on the pusher discovered that the grate bar had been lost and went back down the road to find it. Returning the pusher was running about eight miles an hour. For some unaccountable reason the pusher failed to slow up when it approached the rear end of the train and collided with the gondola which was the last car.

It was necessary to remove the broken car on a siding. Conductor Mac Casey was writing in the caboose, second car from the rear of the train, when the collision occurred. He was thrown from his seat and sustained a bruised forehead and a laceration of the knee.

DANVILLE MAN WINS EASTON BRIDE

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening in a private parlor of the Montour house, when Rev. William Brill, of St. Paul's M. E. church, united in holy wedlock Jonas D. Hockenbury, of this city, and Mrs. Lavinia J. Anderson, of Easton.

The groom is superintendent of the brake beam department of the Pennsylvania Brake Beam company. He has been a resident of this city since the 2nd of December last and has made many friends both in a business and social way. The bride arrived from Easton Tuesday afternoon.

The wedding was very quiet, only the immediate friends of the contracting parties being present. After a brief honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Hockenbury will reside in this city.

The contest of the anthracite coal companies of Lackawanna county against the county commissioners for raising the valuation of coal lands \$40,000,000 for taxation purposes was disposed of by the court on Monday which reduced the assessments to \$60 per foot acre, making the total increase about \$18,000,000. It may be carried to the supreme court.

Germany has 21 universities; France has 16, Austria-Hungary 11, Great Britain 15, Italy 21, Russia 9, Spain 9, Switzerland 7, Belgium 4 and Sweden 3.

Holland conducts its famous herring fishery with a fleet of about 750 ships—perhaps 45 of them steam boats—and only 10,000 men.