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ITEMS CONDENSED.

David Shollenberger, of Bechtelsville Berks county, a few days ago slaughtered a hog that weighed 647 pounds, dressed, the heaviest porker in that section.

Two new finishing mills, five blast furnaces and twelve open hearth furnaces are soon to be added to the steel trust's plants at Homestead and Duquesne at an outlay of \$2,000,000.

The residence of Thornton L. Bailey, of Chester, was entered by thieves during the absence of the family and two gold watches and a sum of money were stolen, a few days ago.

While attempting to board a moving car, George Bachm, a brakeman at the Bethlehem Steel works, on Saturday slipped on an icy step and his life was crushed out beneath the wheels.

Solomon Schwoer, of Fritztown, Berks county, during the summer and fall made 2,500 gallons of wine from grapes, elderberries and wild cherries and sold it all to residents of Reading for the holiday season.

Michael Augenstein, of Mahanoy City, on Saturday undertook to stop a runaway team when he became entangled in the lines and was dragged for about a mile. His left leg was broken and his body was badly lacerated.

Rev. William Oberholzer, a Baptist Brethren preacher, of Myerstown, Lebanon county, was severely injured by a horse on Saturday, which reared and kicked him, while leading it to water, breaking his shoulder blade and dislocating his shoulder.

Benjamin Manilla, a respected citizen of Shamokin, aged 60 years, last Wednesday started to walk four miles over Loonst mountain to visit friends at Ringtown. On Saturday he had not reached his destination and no trace of him could be found.

Mary Smith, who lives with her uncle, Alderman John Caldwell, South Side, Pittsburg, on Saturday morning about 6 o'clock stepped on the rotten covering of a well in the yard and dropped into the well, forty feet deep, where she remained a prisoner, five hours, until the barking of a pet dog led to her discovery and rescue.

Clayton Culp, of Leola, Lancaster county, employed in a planing mill, on Saturday had a hand mangled in a planer. A year ago he lost his other hand by coming in contact with a circular saw, and some time ago his daughter fell with a saw in her hand and cut the tendons of the wrist so badly that she has lost the use of the hand.

READING IRON CO. DOWNS CRESCENTS

In one of the fastest games ever played in West's hall, Bloomsburg, the Danville Reading Iron Co. A. A. basketball team defeated the Bloom Crescents Tuesday evening by one point, says the Bloomsburg Press. The teams were evenly matched and the game throughout was a fine exhibition, each team putting up a particularly fast game. The score at the end of the first half was 7-10 in Danville's favor. The final score was 18-19 with Danville in the lead. This is the second time the R. I. Co. A. A. has defeated the Crescents this season, the first time being at the armory several weeks ago when the score was 30-25.

Following is the line-up: R. I. Co. A. A. Crescent, Lovett, forward; Robinson, Fritchard, forward; Engle, Cooper, forward; Engle, Cooper, center; Engle, Cooper, guard; Engle, Cooper, guard; Engle, Cooper, guard; Engle, Cooper, guard.

35TH ANNIVERSARY OF OPENING NIGHT

Last night was the 35th anniversary of the opening of the Danville opera house. Danville's fine play house was thrown open to the public for the first time on December 23rd, 1873, with Caroline Richings Bernard's Old-Folkles, an opera troupe of the old school as the attraction. It was a gala night, and was made the occasion of a benefit performance for the building. John Snyder, who during the performance was taken upon the stage on the shoulders of an admiring crowd of people.

In the rear of Hunt's drug store hangs one of the lithographs of the first show, 12 of which were received in Danville for advertising purposes. John H. Hunt was in the box office of the opening night and still has charge of this important department of the theatre today, the only one of the original attaches who is still connected with the theatre.

STREET REPAIRS AUTHORIZED

Edward Leamey, president of the Continental hose company, appeared before council Friday to investigate a rumor, which charges that parties make the hose house a loafing place after midnight. He explained that the Continental company has rigid rules, which it always strives to enforce. The company, he said, has made every effort possible to discover whether there are any irregularities about the place, but has always failed to find any evidence.

The hose company, he said, wants to know the truth and he asked police assistance to the end that, if it be true that parties are found in the engine house after 11:45 o'clock at night, they may be arrested and made to pay a fine.

Mr. Leamey was accompanied by Thomas McCaffrey, another member of the Continental hose company.

The chief of police explained that after midnight he frequently drops into the Continental hose house but that he has never yet discovered anyone on the premises. He will continue to look after the property.

On motion of Mr. Angle the Danville and Sunbury trolley company was granted permission to leave its trolley car stand on Mill street in front of the opera house between the hours of 11 P. M. and 5:40 A. M. each night during the winter months.

The motion carried on the following vote:

Yeas—Schatz, Pursel, Marshall, Angle.

Nays—Russell and Moyer.

Not voting—Everhart and Connolly.

On motion of Mr. Marshall it was ordered that as soon as the weather permits West Mahoning street be repaired by applying a course of limestone, between the footbridge over Mahoning creek and the western end of the street.

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On motion of Mr. Connolly it was ordered that Mill street be swept by hand during the winter, or until April 1st.

Mr. Connolly described conditions on Chambers street, showing that repairs are necessary. On motion of Mr. Everhart it was ordered that the street commissioner be instructed to make such repairs as are necessary, not only on Chambers street but also on the other streets on Welsh hill.

On motion of Mr. Everhart it was ordered that the trolley companies be notified to shovel open the street crossings when these are blocked with snow caused by the action of the snow plow or sweeper in passing.

The following members were present: Schatz, Pursel, Moyer, Russell, Everhart, Marshall, Angle and Connolly.

The following bills were approved for payment:

Table with columns for item and amount. Includes Borough Dept, Regular employes (\$127.50), Labor in Light Dept (7.50), Washington Fire Co (2.85), Western Elec. Light Co (22.06), Walker and Kepler (7.75), J. H. Cole (10.76), John Hixson (40.48), George Beyer (4.80), W. W. Motters (39.50), People's Coal Yard (2.85), Labor and hauling (52.50), Rebecca Clark (9.00), Friendship Fire Co (16.00), W. S. Hunt (10.00), WATER DEPT., Regular employes (\$189.70), Danville P'd'y. & Machine Co (9.20), Washington Fire Co (.50), J. H. Cole (22.76), P. H. Foast (56.95), Friendship Fire Co (14.21), Joseph Lechner (6.01).

FOKESMAN CATTLE WERE KILLED

All the cattle and hogs on the farm of Fokesman Brothers, at Alkira, in the southern part of Wyoming county, were killed Tuesday afternoon and the carcasses buried in the big trench for that purpose. There were thirty-seven cattle and fifty-six hogs killed, the slaughter being conducted under the supervision of Veterinarians Church and Maneval. The Fokesmans will be paid for the stock killed, although they will probably not receive full value. Five other farms in the vicinity of Alkira are still under quarantine, but it has not been definitely decided whether or not the livestock will be killed.

A Surprise Party

A pleasant surprise party was tendered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anos Dietrich, Liberty township, on Tuesday, in honor of Mrs. Dietrich's birthday. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Willard Pannobaker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hilkert, Mr. and Mrs. William Moyer, Mr. and Mrs. William Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Anos Dietrich, Mrs. Phoebe Bantz Mrs. Peter Raker, Mrs. William Egert, Mrs. Andrew Steinman, Misses W. A. Pannobaker, Edna D. Dietrich, S. J. Bantz, J. Manning, and E. O. Patterson, Messrs. George D. Dietrich, Alexander Steiman and Allen Steiman.

POPULAR SENTIMENT SUSTAINS BOARD

School Director W. J. Burns, who at the last meeting in pointed terms expressed himself on alleged imperfections of our schools due to curriculum would seem to be pretty well sustained by the general public.

His strictures, printed in these columns, naturally became the subject of widespread discussion. The other directors were not long in catching the drift of sentiment and they make no secret of their conviction that when Mr. Burns declared that our pupils are "studying too much and learning too little" he struck a note that chords with the public, view of the matter.

A member of the school board Saturday stated that a majority of the board are in sympathy with Mr Burns and that it is not at all unlikely that before next term some healthy action will grow out of the agitation eliminating the merely ornamental branches and substituting manual training or, at least, work of a practical and useful nature, making it possible to devote more time to drill and practice.

Thus, the director states, will our teachers, who are now overburdened and hampered by the curriculum, be enabled to develop the subject as it should be, while the pupils on leaving school, if diligent, will show a proficiency in at least the "three R's."

In the near future a joint meeting of teachers and directors will be held to consider the matter in all its relations. Meanwhile data are being gathered to show the relative merits of work done by pupils of Danville schools and those of other schools where simpler courses of study have been adopted.

10 YEARS, 6 MO. FOR MORORI

Angelo Morori, who three weeks ago murdered Joseph Dollago, a Shamokin station keeper in cold blood, was sentenced Monday morning by Judge Savage to a term of nineteen years and six months in the eastern penitentiary.

The prisoner was brought from the jail by Sheriff Taby shortly after nine o'clock. Judge Savage addressed the prisoner as follows:

"The jury found you guilty of murder in the second degree. Personally I think it should have been first degree. However, I am sure that they acted conscientiously and that no undue influence was brought to bear on them. Under the laws of Pennsylvania, it is possible for several men of immutable convictions on a jury to determine its decision, and in your case it is perhaps well that it arrived at a second degree verdict, as some of the jurors could not conscientiously convict you of murder in the first degree. However, I think that you deserve as severe a sentence as the law allows. The sentence of the court is that you pay a fine of \$5 and undergo a term of imprisonment of nineteen years and six months at separate and solitary confinement in the eastern penitentiary.

The sheriff took the prisoner back to jail. He made no comment, betrayed no emotion and gave not the slightest indication that he realized what it all meant.

Should the murderer retain his present good health, he will be a free man before he is forty years of age. He is now under twenty-five, and if his sentence is commuted for good behavior, as it probably will, he will be in prison just about fifteen years.

SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS

Yesterday afternoon the public schools of the borough closed for the holiday vacation. They will reopen on Monday, January 4th. The schools were dismissed somewhat earlier than usual. Exercises appropriate to Christmas were held in all the grades below the high school. In most cases two rooms were thrown together and an unpretentious program of recitations and singing was rendered. The rooms in which the exercises were held were decorated in appropriate fashion. The teachers and pupils could devise. The true Christmas spirit prevailed. One read it alike in the interest and painstaking care shown by the teachers and in the beaming faces of the pupils as they trooped in and out of the school building on closing day.

A majority of the teachers will spend the holidays out of town. The pupils, with the prospect of skating and sleighing ahead, are looking forward to first class enjoyment during vacation.

Stany Maravavage, convicted of the murder of Charles Yeshlousky, the Sunbury barber, was allowed to go back to his cell in the Sunbury jail yesterday after being confined to the luncheon since Sunday night. Stany's fellow prisoners had been telling him that inasmuch as he was a condemned man he ought to receive the best food obtainable. He believed them and on Sunday raised a can when the jail attendants brought around the usual fare. He promised to be satisfied with the usual prison fare in the future.

BURGLARS AT D. L. & W. STATION

"On should be at home, Mr. Eggert, when you receive callers." The above, written in a good hand, was the contents of an unsigned note, found lying on the desk of Station Agent George Eggert, Monday morning, after the place had been broken into and ransacked by thieves.

The cracksmen were probably the merest amateurs. They gained entrance into the building by forcing open the window leading from the eastern platform into the men's waiting room. They next effected entry into the middle apartment between the two waiting rooms used as ticket office, by breaking open the door. The force applied must have been considerable, as the door frame into which the door was locked was badly broken and splintered.

Once in the office the burglars immediately got busy. Passing through an open door into the office at the rear, occupied during the day by the station agent, they commenced work on the safe. The door of the latter Monday morning showed the marks of a drill or some similar implement, but no appreciable progress had been made, little more than the paint being chiseled off the safe.

Fortunately all money had been removed from the drawer at the ticket window. A determined attempt had been made to break open the drawer in the desk near the front window. The drawer is badly scarred and battered but the lock refused to yield.

The ticket case was found unlocked by the burglars, but the stamp according to custom was concealed under lock and key. Unless properly stamped the tickets, of course, would have been valueless and would have been only a means of leading to detection.

As a matter of fact Mr. Eggert Monday stated that he does not think the burglars succeeded in getting a single article. It is not known at what time the burglars operated, as Sunday night the station was alone practically from 10:30 o'clock until morning.

The idea of leaving a note behind addressed to the station agent was conceived of by the cracksmen, no doubt, as an irresistible stroke of humor. As viewed by most persons, however, the joke—if joke there was—would seem to be on the burglars.

NATIONAL GUARD INSPECTION DATES

A circular has just been issued by the inspector general of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, giving the dates and places at which the several organizations of the guard will be inspected. The infantry will be inspected by the brigade inspectors. The Twelfth regiment inspections will be as follows:

Regimental band, Williamsport, Tuesday, February 3, 1909. Hospital corps, Sunbury, Thursday, February 18, 1909.

Company A, Lewisburg, Friday, February 19, 1909. Company B, Williamsport, Tuesday, February 23, 1909.

Company C, Milton, Saturday, February 20, 1909. Company D, Williamsport, Tuesday, February 23, 1909.

Company E, Sunbury, Thursday, February 18, 1909. Company F, Danville, Wednesday, February 24, 1909.

Company G, Williamsport, Wednesday, February 24, 1909. Company H, Lock Haven, Monday, February 22, 1909.

Company I, Williamsport, Wednesday, February 24, 1909. Company K, Sunbury, Thursday, February 18, 1909.

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Company W, Williamsport, Tuesday, February 23, 1909.

NEW YEAR'S DEMONSTRATION

A meeting of citizens and the committee of mummies' association was held at the Bardsy house Tuesday eve. The success of the New Year's demonstration is assured and nothing more remains to be done than to employ the music and perfect other arrangements relating to the parade.

The fun-loving and ingenious masqueraders whose costumes last year proved so mirth-provoking may safely be relied upon to do the rest.

Since Tuesday morning the solicitors have been at work. At the meeting they were able to make the most encouraging report. A large number of prizes had been pledged by our business people and others, in addition to nearly \$200 in money, which will be used for cash prizes and in paying for music, etc.

On motion Tuesday it was ordered that the residents of the country be invited to participate in the mummies' parade.

Committees were appointed to employ bands and perfect other arrangements. It is assured that there will be as much money to expend on the demonstration as last year, while the cash and other prizes will be quite as much of an inducement.

There will no doubt be several musical organizations in line. Negotiations relating to the bands will be completed today by the committee on music, appointed last night.

FOUR NEW PATIENTS ADMITTED

The report of the Tuberculosis dispensary is each month read with increasing interest due in great measure to the fact that the work here is a part of a world-wide movement that has for its aim the stamping out of one of the greatest plagues that ever afflicted the human race. Month after month the report of the local dispensary furnishes abundant data, from which may be gleaned whether the work here is lagging behind or is keeping pace with what is being done at other places.

There can be only one opinion on this subject. Month after month the report of the local dispensary has revealed that nothing is done in an idle and perfunctory manner; that back of it all is real enthusiasm and that actual results are accomplished.

The report for the month ending on the 20th inst. shows that the total number of patients receiving treatment at the dispensary are twenty-five. During the month five patients were examined and four admitted.

Forty-eight return visits were made by patients during the month.

During the month fifteen patients gained 34 1/2 pounds. Seven reveal no gain in weight. Three lost 2 pounds.

Of the number under treatment only two take medicine.

The nurse made 31 visits. During the month there were furnished free to the patients 280 quarts of milk and 88 1/2 dozen of eggs.

K. G. E. REWARDS PAST CHIEFS

Montour castle, No. 186, Knights of the Golden Eagle, recently established a rule by which all past chiefs, after having gone through the chairs and earned the past chief's degree, are presented with a latest regulation badge and jewel as a reward of merit for the highly appreciated and faithful services rendered.

At the meeting of the castle this week there were twenty-two past chiefs to receive the token, which is a passport to any grand castle session of the State District Grand Chief F. M. Herrington made the presentation speech and in a very pleasant manner he commended each past chief for the untiring zeal with which they had set their hearts to building up a prosperous order.

Following is a list of the past chiefs who have been thus honored: Edwin V. Stroh, Lewis Kessler, J. J. Babcock, Edward F. Bell, J. E. Douglas, Wesley Hollibaugh, G. L. McLain, Seth C. Lorner, F. M. Herrington, Wm. B. Hauser, Jacob J. Dietz, John G. Vastine, M. P. Scott, A. C. Montgomery, Donald H. Brown, John H. Dietz, Harry G. Salmon, E. A. Adams, Augustus Heiss, John Supper, Martin L. Bloom, Joseph Weidman, Arthur D. Mervel, C. Leonard Foulk, Edward Melvin, Warren Rost, David Grove, Francis Hartman, Milton Montgomery, E. E. Bennett, Edward S. Delste, Willard Kiser, Silas Wolverton, Lafayette S. Foust, Bradley C. McLain, John R. Falk, Herbert Hendricks.

38,000 FARMS ARE INSPECTED

HARRISBURG, Dec. 23. The State and national livestock authorities have completed their big task of inspecting the farms in the section where the foot and mouth disease appeared. A total of thirty-eight thousand farms were inspected, which are distributed as follows:

Montour, 842, the entire number in the county; Philadelphia, 500 farms; Northumberland, 1,300 out of 2,644; York, 3,329, 5,000 out of 5,863; Lancaster, 1,677, the entire number in the county; Chester, 6,202 the entire number; Lancaster, 9,437 the entire number; York 6,600 out of 8,991; Dauphin, 300 out of 2,844; Juniata, 600 out of 15,555; Snyder, 1,500 out of 1,854; Lehigh, 3,299, 5,000 out of 5,863; Union, 1,000 out of 1,521; Luzerne, 30 out of 3,782; and Clinton, 400 out of 1,362.

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ONE HUNDRED VETERANS PRESENT

The meeting of civil war veterans, comprising the volunteers of Montour county, held in G. A. R. hall, Monday night, proved to be a fine success, about one hundred being in attendance. Resolutions were adopted favoring the passage of a State pension bill and asking our representative in the general assembly, R. S. Ammerman, to support such a measure.

Mr. Ammerman, by request delivered an address at the meeting, explaining that he supported the Cochran bill providing for a State pension at the last session of the legislature; also that the bill passed the house with only one dissenting vote. He made it plain to the veterans that the time favorable toward a State pension bill, was at hand.

Resolutions were read, and unanimously adopted, after which a committee was appointed to obtain signatures of civil war veterans and business men of the county to be affixed to the pension bill.

Following are the resolutions: Whereas, We believe that the pension bill introduced by Senator Henry Cochran during the last session of our State legislature was a just and equitable measure designed to extend relief to the men who fought for the preservation of the Union and who are justly entitled to aid in their declining years, and.

Resolved, That our representative, Hon. R. S. Ammerman, be requested to support, as he did before, the best measure for the relief of the veteran soldiers of the State which may come before the house during the coming session.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to procure the signatures of veterans and business men of our town and county to these resolutions.

Resolved, That this post send a copy of this preamble and resolutions to other posts throughout the State urging upon all veterans the necessity of asking their representatives to stand by a veteran soldiers' pension bill.

CHURCH'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Trinity Lutheran church, on March 24th next, will round out half a century of history. The fiftieth anniversary will be celebrated by a building remodeled and refurbished at heavy expense, attesting the fact that during the fifty years of its existence the congregation has not only maintained its zeal and held fast to things spiritual but has also prospered well in a business way.

The remodeling contemplated comprises the installation of new pews, a raising of the floor, with some changes at the main stairs, a new carpet and re-framing of the walls. To complete all the improvements will require little less than three months.

The old pews, which were sold to the congregation of the Lutheran church at Grovonia, were removed from the church here on Tuesday. Yesterday work on the new floor was in progress. The latter is being raised at the rear so as to present an inclined plane to the front. The contractor has the contract for the carpenter work.

The contract for the frescoing has been awarded to C. Day Rudy & Co., of Harrisburg. Some very fine effects are promised and this branch of the work alone will occupy a month.

The Dittman Furniture company of Williamsport has been awarded the contract for the new pews. The latter will be something especially fine and will occupy a semicircle, which will necessitate changes in the chancel railing to correspond. The pews will be of five-ply quartered oak back and three-ply quartered oak end. They will have Romanesque end and box arm, deep panel and oak seat.

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WORK PROGRESSING ON MONUMENT BASE

Notwithstanding the wintry conditions, although too cold to work in concrete, yet operations have by no means been suspended on the soldiers' monument.

Persons passing along Bloom street yesterday were surprised to discover that work has been begun on the massive steps that form a part of the wide base. The heavy corner stones are already set, each surmounted with the highly polished granite ball three feet in diameter, before described.

Stone cutters yesterday were employed chiseling down the faces of the four pedestals on which the bronze panels are to be fastened.

Hope has by no means been abandoned that the monument in its entirety may be completed during the next couple of weeks. A short spell of mild weather would be sufficient to complete the concrete work.

Meanwhile a great deal of other work can be attended to the progress of which is not affected by the cold. The statues may be placed in position during the next few days.

Birthday Party.

A pleasant birthday party was held at the home of Frank Lyon, Beaver street. Sapper was served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Fausnaught and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fennell and family, Mrs. William McLean, Misses Emma Shank, Katie Hartman, I. A. Shurt, Ethel Scott, Messrs. Charles Shurt, George Fausnaught, William Fausnaught, Henry Shurt, Walter Burr, Lewis Cromley and James Sheridan.

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