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ITEMS CONDENSED.

North York is scattering oil on its streets because it allays the dust better than water and does not cost any more.

Running in front of a trolley car in front of his home in Philadelphia, 2-year-old Samuel Ackerman was decapitated in the presence of his mother.

The fifth annual reunion of the Improved Order of Red Men of the counties of Armstrong, Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Forest, Jefferson and McKean will be held at Kittanning on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Carl Burkholder, a 12-year-old office boy employed by Dr. Alfred Weiss of Lebanon, while playing with the slack rope of a porch awning at the Weiss home, placed the rope about his neck and was found dead two hours later, having been strangled.

Cyrus W. Klopp, living on a large farm near South Hill, Berks county, has entertained more visitors in a year than any other farmer in Berks. From May 1, 1908 to May 1, 1909, he has fed 1,393 people who visited him besides furnishing meals to 500 tramps.

Tunkhannock will annex a portion of the township of the same name, add several hundred to its population and gain abundant room for future growth. An equity suit to prevent the proposed annexation has been dismissed.

Farmers in West Franklin and Washington townships, Adams county, have lost many valuable horses recently by a disease that resembles the old-fashioned distemper or epizootic. The disease is contagious to a high degree and affects all domestic animals.

Captain E. Y. Breck, of Pittsburg, one of the best known attorneys in the State, has interested himself in the case of Mrs. Ellen Boyle, sentenced to serve twenty-five years in the western penitentiary in connection with the Whitla kidnaping, and will try to have the case reopened.

The mystery of the wild man in the regions of North Strabane township, Washington county, has been cleared. The man with the long and woolly whiskers and hair, who terrorized the good people of that township with his supernatural strength, continuous running and jumping has been caught. He is Jos Palanta, a demented Austrian.

Mrs. William B. Scott, a bride of two days, has been arrested at Erie and lodged in jail on the charge of bigamy. It is alleged that when 17 years old she married Jerome Custard, in Meadville. The woman says she was only 13 when she married Custard and that the marriage was not legal.

Arrested for displaying and wearing a button of the United Mine Workers of America, John Fry, a non-union man of Mahanoy City, was held in bail for court on the charge of false pretense.

Two robbers gave battle with pistols to a posse of New Castle residents, one of whom they seriously wounded. They were surrounded and after holding the posse at bay for an hour gave themselves up.

Falling sixty feet into the Hazel Miner's stripping, Morris Kerst, 12 years old, of Hazleton, escaped with a broken arm and a contused leg. A cow which fell at the same spot recently was instantly killed.

The Reading Coal and Iron company has struck seven valuable veins at their Otto colliery No. 2 at Branchdale which expose coal for the miners' picks worth \$10,000,000, the mining of which will take fifty years.

While bathing with companions in Ten-Mile Creek at Marianna, Washington county, John Barney, 11 year old son of Frank Barney, a miner, was drowned. He was taken from the water a few minutes after he sank, but a half-hour's work failed to revive him. The brass end of a shoe lace tucked in his shoe, worked its way into the flesh of Joseph Lake, of Pottsville and gave him blood poisoning. The foot has been amputated in an effort to save his life.

Robert McFarland, who disappeared from his home near Allentown fifteen years ago and had been legally declared dead, walked into his mother's house to find his wife wed.

While going to see his parents, David Powell, 45 years old, of Lancaster, was struck by a train near Pequea and instantly killed.

If every man got what he deserved the jails would be overcrowded.

TWO TEAMS NOW LEAD THE LEAGUE

Results in Susquehanna League. Danville, 8; Nanticoke, 1. Bloomsburg, 3; Nescopeck, 8. Berwick, 4; Benton, 10. Alden, 1; Shickshinny, 11.

Table with 4 columns: Club Name, W, L, P, C. Danville: 2, 0, 1, 0.00. Shickshinny: 2, 0, 1, 0.00. Bloomsburg: 1, 1, .500. Nanticoke: 1, 1, .500. Nescopeck: 1, 1, .500. Benton: 1, 1, .500. Berwick: 0, 2, .000. Alden: 0, 2, .000.

Danville's joy-inducing performance of Saturday at Nanticoke and the downfall of Bloomsburg at Nescopeck, leave but two teams—the local Browns and Shickshinny—in the Susquehanna league with clean slates—the two latter now being tied for first place in the league.

If the opening games of the season can be taken as a criterion of the kind of ball the teams of the league will play throughout the summer, the local tossers seem to have as good prospects of wrapping themselves in the rag next fall as anybody.

The games scheduled for next Saturday are: Nescopeck at Danville, Shickshinny at Alden, Benton at Berwick, Nanticoke at Bloomsburg. Danville is not scheduled to play Shickshinny this month, and the schedule for May is all that had been arranged thus far.

Once again our own Honey has proved himself a pitching marvel, and this time to the dismay of Manager Hess' redoubtable Nanticoke aggregation, which went down to an easy defeat before Danville before a big crowd at the new Nanticoke grounds on Saturday afternoon by the score of 8 to 1.

McCloud's fine work of Saturday did not consist this time in fanning a long list of the opposition nor in putting up a no hit game, but in his fine all-around generalship of doing the right thing just at the right time. For instance in the fifth after he had filled the bases by hitting one man and passing another, and the horde of Nanticoke were on their feet, yelling and doing everything that would be calculated to disconcert a pitcher, Honey coolly retired the side with two strike outs. At several other times during the game he did the same trick in neat form.

McCloud's support was of a high order. The fielding honors go to Covaleski and Mackers both of whom accepted a number of hard chances. Brown's pretty assist to second of a hard grounder, catching his man, was one of the prettiest bits of work in the game. All throughout the game the playing of the Browns was replete with such applause getters.

The batting honors of the game are pretty evenly divided, all of the Danville boys consistently clouting Wynne, Nanticoke's star Wilkes-Barre twirler. And what is better yet the leather received its worst pounding just when the hits would bring in the tallies.

In the third inning Tom Hirlman had the misfortune to smash a finger while attempting to sacrifice and was compelled to retire from the game. Ammerman caught the remainder of the game in good style, as his record in the box score will show.

Danville encountered its worst luck of the game during the first two innings. Both innings ended in double plays leaving men on bases, when it looked like sure scores.

In the third Danville bunched an assortment of hits and combined with a few errors trotted three men over the plate. Sechler, first up, selected a pretty single; Ammerman was presented with a base on errors; McCloud's pretty single scored Sechler and Logan's neat drive between left and center for two bags scored Ammerman and McCloud. Brown and Clayberger were retired.

In the fourth Nanticoke got its lone home run. McEhleaney got to first on a hit. Brannon and Lerb were easy outs before Shemanski and Kutz both surprised themselves with singles, scoring McEhleaney. Metcalf struck out.

Danville tallied again in the seventh. With one down, Sechler made a long drive into deep center for 2 bases. Ammerman's sacrifice advanced Sechler to third and he scored on McCloud's single before Logan went out.

Danville made the victory doubly sure in the eighth. Clayberger, Omalauf and Mackert each touched Wynne for a single, filling the bases. Covaleski then skied to Brannon, but the sacrifice was long enough to allow Clayberger to score. Sechler's hot drive to third was fumbled by Shemanski and he reached first and Omalauf scored. Ammerman was an out, but advanced the runners each a base, and both scored on McCloud's single, before Logan was retired.

DANVILLE. R. H. O. A. E.

HOSPITAL'S APPROPRIATION

Governor Stuart on Saturday added his signature to the bill appropriating \$158,783.00 to the Danville hospital for the insane, the full amount contained in the measure as adopted by both senate and house at the recent session of the legislature. The fact that the governor signed the Danville appropriation bill without any reductions is particularly notable in view of the wholesale pruning to which the whole batch of appropriation bills were submitted.

The bill for the Danville institution as originally introduced in the house by Representative R. Scott Ammerman provided for an amount of \$128,783. This was amended in the senate and raised to \$158,783, the additional \$30,000 being for the "Purchasing of additional real estate consisting of about one hundred and seventy-five acres of land contiguous to that now owned by the Commonwealth."

ITEMS PROVIDED FOR IN THE BILL.

The items that are provided for in the bill are: An additional story to the male infirmary, \$20,000; renovating the heating in the old building, \$50,000; erecting and completing a building for the male employes, \$10,000; for erecting and completing a cow shed, \$3,000; for a coal siding, \$2,500; for providing additional means for the disposal of sewage, \$25,000; for fire insurance, \$10,000; for extending and changing course of natural stream upon the grounds, \$7,000.

Since and including the session of 1903 the amounts appropriated to the hospital have been: 1903, \$121,300; 1905, \$204,200; 1907, \$429,300; 1908, \$158,783 and a deficiency item of \$10,000, making a total of \$923,383.

In this connection it is but just to say that a large share of the credit for this great service to the institution and the town is due to Montour's representative in the legislature, R. Scott Ammerman, whose work as solicitor for the board of directors of the hospital and untiring labor on the floor of the house in fighting the bills through the legislature have been responsible for the State's tardy recognition of the needs of the local institution.

TOOK BRIDE AT SHARON

A wedding occurred at Sharon last week in which a large number of Danville people will be interested, when Harry Stillwell, son of Mrs. Edward Stillwell, until a few years ago resident of this city, was wedded to Miss Carrie Taylor.

The wedding was a pretty home affair, the ceremony being performed at the residence of the bride's mother at 6 o'clock Saturday evening by Rev. L. K. Peacock, pastor of the United Presbyterian church, of Sharon. Mr. and Mrs. Stillwell will reside with the groom's mother at 112 1/2 West State street, Sharon.

Table with 4 columns: Player, R, H, O, A, E. Logan, ss: 0, 2, 1, 0, 0. Brown, cf: 0, 0, 2, 1, 0. Clayberger, lf: 1, 1, 0, 0, 0. Omalauf, 3b: 2, 3, 1, 1, 0. Mackert, 2b: 0, 1, 2, 3, 0. Covaleski, cf: 1, 1, 3, 0, 0. Sechler, 1b: 3, 2, 7, 0, 0. Hirlman, c: 0, 0, 1, 0, 0. Ammerman, p: 0, 7, 1, 0, 0. McCloud, p: 1, 2, 0, 2, 0. Totals: 8, 11, 27, 9, 1.

NANTICOKE.

Table with 4 columns: Player, R, H, O, A, E. Healey, ss: 0, 0, 1, 4, 1. McEhleaney, lf: 1, 2, 1, 0, 0. Brannon, cf: 0, 1, 3, 1, 0. Lerb, rf: 0, 0, 1, 0, 1. Shemanski, 3b: 0, 2, 1, 0, 1. Kutz, of: 0, 3, 2, 0, 0. Metcalf, 2b: 0, 0, 12, 0, 0. Sheep, 1b: 0, 0, 1, 5, 1. Wynne, p: 0, 0, 1, 4, 0. Totals: 1, 7, 24, 15, 4.

Danville: 000300014x. Nanticoke: 0000100000. Earned runs Danville 3. Two base hits Logan, Sechler. Stolen bases Mackert. Double plays, Wynne and Metcalf, Sheep and Metcalf. Struck out, by McCloud 5, by Wynne 3. First base on called balls, off McCloud 3, off Wynne 1. Time 1 hour, 20 minutes.

PURIFICATION OF SEWAGE

Herewith is presented a full description of the sewage disposal plant being constructed at the hospital for the insane at this place. The description will be perused with no little interest, as there is a great deal about a sewage disposal plant that is not understood by the general public. Our readers will be glad to learn by what method sewage purification is accomplished.

The object in treating the sewage as described is of course to take out of the waste water the impurities which have been put in it. The removal of these impurities is accomplished in several ways, either by keeping the sewage in a quiescent state, in large tanks or vats, which allows much of the matter in suspension to settle in the bottom, or collect on the top of the water after which the clearer water may be drawn off; or again the sewage may be passed through a filter something like a water filter which holds back the impurities. Experience, however, has shown that the most practicable method is a combination of settling and filtration and this is the scheme adopted at the Danville hospital.

Sewer systems in towns generally provide for taking both storm water and house drainage. This was the scheme at the hospital and besides, the sewers were so constructed that all the sewage could not be taken to one point, which is necessary for a sewage disposal purification plant. It became necessary to construct a new system of sanitary sewers which will discharge in a well near the barn. In this well are set automatically controlled electrically operated sewage pumps which will force the sewage for a distance of 1600 feet to the new plant in the fields above the farmer's house. The pumps are set in triplicate to make action certain at all times, and are so connected electrically that when the sewage rises to a fixed height in the well, an automatic switch will be thrown in by means of a float and one of the pump will start; and when the well becomes empty, it will again automatically stop.

After the sewage reaches the plant it first passes through a screen chamber to take out coarse material, and then it passes very slowly through three large settling tanks each 85 feet long, 8 feet deep and 16 feet wide. In the tanks perhaps thirty per cent. of the suspended matter settles out and the clearer water flows on to the filter. Provision is made for cleaning the settling tanks and drawing off the heavy matter or sludge on a sand filter.

The floor of the settling tanks is higher than the top of the filter. The area of the filter is a little less than one quarter of an acre; its dimensions are length 115 feet, width 97 feet, depth 6 feet. The filtering material is of pebbles from one to four inches in size. Terra cotta pipe underdrains are laid under the filtering material. These draw the water from the body of the filter to drainage channels on the side. The water from the settling tanks flows first into a tank holding 2500 gallons and as this tank fills up, a syphon set in it discharges the sewage on the filter through 54 spraying nozzles under a varying head of three and one-half to five feet. With these nozzles, the water is sprayed on top of the filter bed, the operation being almost exactly the same as if it were done by hand with an ordinary garden sprinkling pot. This type of filter is known as a "sprinkling" or "percolating" filter. The water after it falls on the stones or pebbles slowly trickles down through the body of the bed leaving the impurities in the bed. Water from this filter will not be quite clear and it is passed a second time through a settling tank and filtered a second time through sand to remove all impurities, or treated with a disinfectant to make sure that every disease breeding germ is killed.

This scheme of sewage treatment is known as the bacterial or biological system. It has been developed within the last 20 years, and the greatest advance has been made within the past ten or twelve years. The type of plant under construction at the hospital was first used on an extensive scale in Birmingham, England, where there are about 30 acres of sprinkling filter beds. Recently a few such plants have been constructed in this country at Columbus, Ohio, Washington and Reading, Pa. This type of filter is also used at Mount Alto Sanatorium and will be constructed at the State hospitals at Wernersville, Norristown and Poik.

It should be borne in mind that a plant of this kind must be put in charge of a competent and reliable man whose sole duty is to see that its work is properly done, if uniformly good results are to be expected. It has to be watched just the same as a water filter or as a piece of machinery.

SUSPENDED FOR A WEEK

A special meeting of the school board was held Monday for the purpose of taking action in a case of suspension affecting four pupils of the first ward schools. The directors present were: Pursel, Orth, Barber, Burns, Swartz, Redding, Lloyd, Fischer, Sechler and Cole.

Of the four boys suspended three were members of the high school. Their offense consisted of surreptitiously climbing up into the dome of the first ward building Friday night and hanging a dummy stuffed with straw outside the cupola where Saturday morning it was in full view from the street.

Borough Superintendent Dieffenbacher after some difficulty discovered the names of the boys who played the prank. All four were peremptorily suspended. The boys realized that action of the board would be necessary before they could be reinstated and not wishing to remain out of school until the regular meeting, next Monday, by personally visiting the members Monday they prevailed upon them to hold a special meeting Monday night.

The four boys in a very penitent frame of mind were present at the meeting and made a clean breast of the whole affair. If clemency was what they were after they did not obtain it in a very pronounced degree, as the board on motion decided to sustain the borough superintendent and the boys will have to remain out of school for the entire week.

AWAITING THE PROGRAM

There is probably no event that has ever taken place in Danville in which the public manifested deeper interest than in the unveiling of the soldiers' monument, which will take place in Memorial park on Monday, May 31st, all of which is very natural considering that the stately memorial so long a dream whose realization seemed uncertain at last after untiring effort and great sacrifice has become an accomplished fact.

As the time for the unveiling draws near—and it is less than two weeks distant—there is much curiosity to learn something about the program for the event. Inquiries are made daily.

Danville is assured that the day will be one of the biggest and most significant in its history. None of the facts concerning the unveiling have as yet been officially given out, but many features of the program—which is being arranged with much deliberation and care—seem to be already known to the public.

Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart of Norristown will deliver the principal address.

The music as planned will constitute a most inspiring feature. In addition to the massed choirs, of which mention was made in a recent issue, the Northumberland and the Catawissa bands will be in attendance, the former being an organization of thirty-eight pieces and the latter of thirty pieces. It is planned to retain the bands in town during the evening and concerts are planned for each at opposite ends of town.

The parade will no doubt be a stupendous affair, comprising, besides a battalion of the national guard, the Grand Army of the Republic, the Sons of Veterans, the pupils of the public and parochial schools, the P. O. S. of A. and other secret and civic organizations.

Dr. P. C. Newbaker has been chosen as chief marshal.

LOVELORN GIRLS TRY SUICIDE

A dual suicide was narrowly averted at Magee carpet works at Bloomsburg Tuesday, when Misses Eckerd and Kathryn Hopper, of Almedia, each drained the contents of a bottle of laudanum.

Both girls had been disappointed in love affairs, and at the noon hour entered into a suicide pact. Going to a nearby store, they each purchased a bottle of laudanum, and at short intervals drained the contents. They were discovered asleep soon afterward by employes, the empty laudanum bottles telling the story. Physicians were summoned, and after a few hours' work succeeded in getting them out of danger.

A Coincidence.

"I'm afraid, George," said his fiancée, "that you are going from bad to worse." "Quite a coincidence," muttered George. "That's what Clara said when I threw her over for you."

Out of Port.

Old Timer—"The worst experience I ever had was when we ran out of port in a gale of wind. The Amateur-Gracious! I thought sailors always drank rum.

BUSINESS MAN'S SUGGESTION

Notwithstanding the lack of assistance from the proper source the citizens of Gearhart township acting on their own responsibility have succeeded in building up a fairly good approach to the river bridge at South Danville.

The dust, however, proves to be the same bad factor that it was in the past. If this nuisance could be abated the residents would have a pretty good return for their work on the approach, much of which was done gratuitously.

Under the heavy and constant traffic dust accumulated rapidly and in a day or so after a rain, no matter how heavy, it lies a couple of inches deep not only on the approach proper but also on the roadways leading over the crossing and down to the station. There is no water available for sprinkling and there is simply no relief. Automobiles and other vehicles as they strike the approach are enveloped in a cloud of dust, which is blown this way and that by the winds, covering those traveling on foot and entering the dwellings and business houses. It is unmistakably the dustiest spot in this section.

A business man of the south side Tuesday proposed a remedy which, if adopted, would bring relief at a small cost. He proposed spraying the bridge approach and roadway adjacent with oil. In the light of experiments there is no question as to the efficacy of oil, not only in fully preventing dust, but also in reducing the wear of the roadway to a minimum. A couple of applications during the course of the summer would suffice. All the dust accumulates on a small section and only a little oil would be required. The cost would be so insignificant that, should the township authorities refuse to oil the street, the residents and those who frequently use the approach could well afford to chip in, purchasing the oil necessary and sprinkling the street. The dust is so much of a nuisance and the end sought so much to be desired that there should be no difficulty in interesting a large number of persons, if they be rightly approached. All that is needed is for some one to take hold of the matter.

SHIPMENT OF SUSQUEHANNA SALMON

The big consignment of fish fry from the hatchery at Union City arrived at South Danville on the 7:30 Pennsylvania train yesterday morning. The fish were well taken care of, there being about a dozen persons at the station to meet them.

As might be imagined the handling of forty cans of fish fry entailed considerable work. W. G. Pursel, with M. H. Schram and George Stickle, was at the station with his automobile and hauled away as many cans as could be conveniently loaded. E. H. Miles and William Sechler took care of as many as could be carried on their naphtha launch. J. H. Cole, accompanied by E. S. Miller, was present with his delivery wagon and hauled away a large installment. George Bedea, with D. R. Eckman's delivery wagon was also on hand along with several others, to render assistance.

The fish fry, exclusively Susquehanna salmon, seemed very small but were large enough. They were distributed along the river at points above and below town.

CONTRACT WAS NOT AWARDED

The trustees of the hospital for the insane held an adjourned meeting yesterday. The object of the meeting was to award the contract for the surface sewer leading from the hospital to the river. Unforeseen complications arose, however, and the contract was not awarded. Still further adjournment was had until Thursday of next week, when in all probability the contract will be awarded.

The bids were opened at the regular meeting on the 13th inst. There were nine bidders, the lowest of whom were Hayes and Clark of Danville.

There was a bare quorum present at yesterday's meeting—R. J. Pegg of this city; Dr. B. H. Detweiler of Williamsport; W. F. Shay of Watsonstown; G. R. Van Allen of Northumberland and Dr. Shoemaker of Wilkes-Barre.

Condition Improved.

The condition of Harvey Mateer, Lower Mulberry street, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever, is somewhat improved.

Crawford-Morse.

Claud C. Crawford, of Bloomsburg and Miss Emma Morse, of Danville, were united in the bonds of matrimony Tuesday evening at the Grove church parsonage by Rev. W. C. McCormack.

CLOSE OF LONG AND USEFUL LIFE

Mrs. Tamar Gardner, an old and widely known resident of Danville, died at the home of her grandson, Charles Gross, corner of Water and Cedar streets, this city, at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

The deceased was born at Ridgeville, Mahoning township, on May 17, 1821. On last Monday she was 88 years of age. When very young she was married to Robert Gardner, who died in 1843. From his demise until her own death, a period of sixty-five years, the deceased remained a widow.

Her faculties seemed unimpaired by advancing age. Up to the very last her mind was clear and her memory good. She was permanently injured in a fall about three years ago, since which time she has been confined to her room. During this time she has resided with her grandson, Charles Gross.

Mrs. Gardner's long life was a busy one, filled with good works. Her labor was a factor in the town's activity that should not be lightly estimated. For many years she conducted a millinery establishment in the Bassett building at the D. L. & W. railroad crossing, Mill street. Later she took charge of the millinery department of Christian Laubach's establishment. At a still later date she took charge of Patterson's millinery, on Mill street.

Mrs. Gardner was a woman who lived largely for others. No sacrifice was too great for her to make. In times of death, of sickness and sorrow she was always the first on hand to render assistance and consolation to the afflicted ones. There are many living who will treasure her memory for the good that she did.

The deceased is survived by grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as by a great great grandchild. The only daughter—Caroline, the wife of Charles Gross—along with her husband died some years ago. The survivors of Mrs. Gardner are: Grandchildren, Charles J. Gross, George Gross, Mrs. Charles Nuss and Edwin C. Gross; great grandchildren, Charles W. Gross, Misses Alice and Sue Gross, William and Robert Gross, Blanche Gross, David, John and Nelson Nuss, Gertrude Nuss, Jennie Gross and Ray Gross. The great, great grandchild that survives is Nellie E., the daughter of Charles W. Gross.

The funeral will take place on Friday at 2 p. m. from the residence of Charles J. Gross, corner of Water and Cedar streets. Interment will be made in the Episcopal cemetery.

PERSONALS

Mrs. George Conrad, Pine street, spent yesterday with relatives in Sunbury.

A. A. Yove, of Exchange, called on friends in this city yesterday.

D. A. Cox, of White Hall and W. H. Hilner, of Strawberry Ridge, No. 2, were visitors in this city yesterday.

Lloyd Bomboy, of West Hemlock, transacted business in this city yesterday.

W. H. Lowrie, of Strawberry Ridge, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Mrs. J. C. Campbell and son Philip, of Rushton, left yesterday for Philadelphia where the son will undergo treatment in the Orthopaedic hospital.

Miss Mary Lyons returned to her home at Klinesgrove yesterday after a visit with friends in this city.

Mrs. Oliver Hoover, of Riverside, spent yesterday with friends in Sunbury.

Mrs. Clement Oberdorf, of Klinesgrove, spent yesterday with friends in this city.

Mrs. Harry Walker and children have returned from a visit with relatives in Nanticoke.

Miss Mame Fisher returned to Shamokin yesterday after a visit with Miss Laura Peyton, Mill street.

Mrs. Oscar Foust, of Milton, called on friends in this city yesterday.

Mrs. Wilmor States returned to her home in Frankford yesterday after a visit with Miss Eleanor Thomas, this city.

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