

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Alfred Parsons' new house on Walnut street is almost completed.

The brickwork of the addition to Wood, Morrell & Co.'s new building is up to the third story.

Ex-Steward Lilly, of the County Almshouse, and his successor, Mr. Thomas Hoover, were in the city Thursday.

Robt. S. Murphy, Esq., will remove his office to the new Dibert building, he and Mr. Dick having dissolved partnership.

Messrs. Mapledoram & Dodson have bought the lot on Main street on which their store stands, the consideration being \$15,000.

Mr. C. C. Briggs, General Manager of Jones & Laughlin's Limited, of Pittsburgh, was in the city Thursday on business connected with the Gautier Steel Department.

Mr. William R. Geis, of Salina, Kan., is visiting relatives in the city. He was formerly a resident of Johnston and is receiving a hearty welcome from his many old acquaintances.

John and Lewis Craig, of Beaver Falls, were on Tuesday taken to the Huntingdon Reformatory. It was proven they had taken goods from a Fort Wayne car at Beaver Falls.

EBENSBURG NOTES.

Col. John S. Miller, former owner and proprietor of Blair House, accompanied by his wife, left for Huntingdon on Wednesday, where they will again take up their residence.

Mr. L. A. Craver, who recently purchased the Blair House, is keeping up its reputation as a first-class hotel.

The story given some currency that Judge Johnston is in exceedingly feeble health and will not be able to finish his term on the bench, is obviously groundless.

The Judge was indisposed a week ago, but is rapidly recovering from his illness and will soon be able to attend personally to all his duties.

Maple Park Hotel has been opened up for summer guests. Several attorneys and others attending court are taking advantage of the superior accommodations offered by that renowned summer resort.

The suit of Chapin vs. the Cambria Iron Company, now in progress here, is a hotly contested case. Mr. Chapin, the plaintiff, was kept on the witness stand three and one-half hours.

The Normal school, being taught here by Mrs. R. H. Biter and T. B. Allison, is being conducted very creditably and is profitable to both students and teachers.

Furnaces Closed Down.

The Powelton furnace was blown out on Monday for an indefinite period. For several weeks the movements of the Company gave indications of this close down, and few were surprised and many regret the stopping.

The cause of the close down is not definitely known, and whether it is on account of a disagreement of the management or dullness of trade remains to be seen.

The next General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held at Omaha, Neb., some time in 1892.

Charles Bruner, aged thirteen years, has been missing from his home in Latrobe, since last Thursday. It is suspected that his cousin, Elmer Bruner, enticed him away.

Spanish farmers have had poor success in an attempt to introduce American grape vines. The vines promised well, but were spoiled by mildew and black rot.

INJURED WHILE TRYING TO JUMP ON THE CAR.

While Attempting to Jump on a Moving Freight a Man Has his Back Broken.

About 5 o'clock yesterday evening a man while attempting to jump on a moving freight near Ferndale was thrown violently to the ground severely injuring his back.

A Preacher in the Mud. GREENSBURG, Pa., June 12.—Rev. H. S. Boyd, pastor of the U. P. Church, of Greensburg, while on his way from presidency, came very nearly being drowned in a swamp.

Constable Miller returned from Ebensburg yesterday evening, where he had gone to arrest Conrad Myers, who had just completed a sixty days' sentence for larceny.

A Slight Mistake. While engaged in digging in the lot in the rear of the residence of the late Hon. D. J. Morrell, a party uncovered some bones and flesh which were supposed to be the remains of two flood victims.

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DROWNED!

OUR WELL-KNOWN TOWNSMAN, BENJAMIN F. COOPER, THE VICTIM OF A SAD MISHAP.

The Sorrowful Ending of a Fishing Expedition—He Fell from the Dam at Nineveh, Saturday Afternoon, and Before Help Could Arrive He Was Drowned—His Dead Body Brought Home.

On Saturday evening the many friends of our well-known young townsman, Benjamin F. Cooper, were shocked by the news of his death by drowning at Nineveh, while fishing in the dam at that place.

At 3:15 o'clock, as is shown by the time at which his watch stopped, Cooper's feet slipped from under him, and he fell, striking the planks with great force and falling into the water below the dam.

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TARBELL CASE CLOSED.

The Points Submitted Upon Which Both Sides Depend.

The trial of the suit of Tarbell against the P. R. R. in the Pittsburgh Court was concluded Wednesday.

When the testimony had been finished counsel for plaintiff submitted the following points of law upon which the Court was asked to charge the jury:

First—When a railroad company undertakes the transportation of passengers the contract has the implied consent of the passenger to all reasonable rules of the company for entering, occupying and leaving the cars, and if any injury befall the passenger by reason of his disregard of rules that are necessary to the conduct of the business of the company are not liable in damages.

Second—On the part of the Company the contract implies that they are provided with a safe and sufficient railroad to the point of destination; that the cars are staunch and roadworthy, and that all safeguards be provided, and that the servants in charge of the train are tried, sober and competent men.

Third—When a passenger is injured or hurt while obeying the reasonable rule of the Company without fault on his part, the law raises a presumption of negligence.

Fourth—The legal presumption may be repelled by proving that the injury resulted from inevitable accident, or as it is commonly called, the act of God, or that the injury was caused by something which no human foresight and prudence could prevent.

There were two or three other points submitted and then the defendants submitted the following points on behalf of the railroad:

First—There is no presumption of negligence on the part of the defendant, hence it must be proven to the satisfaction of the jury before a recovery can be had in the case.

Second—A railroad company is not liable for unforeseen and unprecedented accidents.

Third—The jury must only determine whether or not in the light of all the knowledge and experience which the officers and agents of the defendant company had or should have had prior to the disaster their action, under the circumstances, was such as cautious, prudent and competent men would have taken.

Fourth—Under the uncontradicted evidence in this case the plaintiff's wife and children were drowned in a sudden, extraordinary and unprecedented flood in the Conemaugh river caused by the breaking of a dam, and if the jury believe from the evidence that the defendant officers and agents had no such information or knowledge as would have induced reasonable and prudent men to believe that the train in which plaintiff's wife and children were passengers was in a place of danger, the plaintiff cannot recover and the verdict must be for the defendant.

Fifth—If the jury believe that the plaintiff's wife and children were drowned by an extraordinary outpouring of water from the breaking of a dam at the time of an unprecedented flood in the Conemaugh river; that the train upon which they were passengers had been placed upon a track in the Conemaugh yard which had never been flooded; that the defendant's officers had knowledge and experience of other high floods, including the breaking of the same dam in 1862, thus showing that they had selected, in view of past experience, an apparently safe place for the trains, the verdict must be for the defendants.

The Court reviewed the points, and directed counsel to proceed to address the jury, which was done.

Double-Tracking the Pennsylvania Company's Lines.

The Pennsylvania Company is now busily engaged in the work of double-tracking all its lines west of Pittsburgh.

The work is being pushed on both the Panhandle and the Ft. Wayne lines. In fact, the work is progressing faster in an indirect way on the Panhandle than on the Fort Wayne.

It is 193 miles to Columbus, and 87 miles of that distance the P. C. & St. L. is paralleled. There are twenty sidings, each two miles long, which practically makes 127 miles of the 193 a double-tracked road.

The sidings can be connected and the remaining sixty-six miles of track laid in a short time.

Extension of Dining Car Service on the Pennsylvania Lines.

In these days of hurry and rapid transit the dining car has become an essential element of every through train.

The Pennsylvania Railroad was the pioneer in the East of this branch of the service, and its dining cars have won a well-merited reputation among travelers.

In order to better provide for the comfort of its through passengers dining cars will, on and after June 15th, be added to the equipment of all through trains running over the lines west of Pittsburgh between the East and Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis.

The principal trains on the lines east of Pittsburgh are now equipped with these cars, and their addition to those of the Western territory will greatly enhance the convenience of passengers destined to the three great Western termini.

The Car Stove Must Go.

The P. R. R. officials at Philadelphia have decided to remove the deadly car stove and in its place will use steam from the locomotive for heating all of its passenger cars.

ONE OF PENN'S LAND DEALS.

An Unexpected Claimant Puts in His Appearance.

Lancaster Intelligencer. An old Indian chief from Canada has turned up in Philadelphia on a curious mission.

Centuries ago the Minisies, a branch of the Delawares, owned a large part of the country along the Delaware, and when they left for better hunting lands to the north they left their lands in trust to the Quakers and William Penn to be restored to their descendants whenever demanded.

The remnant of the tribe are now hard up and sent their chief, John B. Waubun, down to Philadelphia to reclaim the land or its cash equivalent.

John has dropped down upon the gentlemen of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania like a bomb shell, loaded with a mass of rare ancient documents which prove his title to about forty miles of land on both sides of the Delaware and extending back an unknown distance over a region thickly settled and dotted with towns and villages.

Researches in the archives and historical collection of the society confirmed his claims, and the old Indian wants to go home to his tribe at once and hold a grand jubilee, and raise money to push the matter in the courts.

Whatever may come of this astonishing quest of the Minisies it places the benevolent Quakers of olden times in a novel and embarrassing position. They have posed in history as rare and edifying examples of wisdom and justice in dealing with the Indians, and yet it appears that they calmly bamboozled these noble red men by receiving from them land in trust which they could not have dreamed of returning.

The records of the chief of the Minisies also show that in their land bargains the Quakers of old times were quite as sharp as any modern land shark.

It was stated that in 1683 William Penn bought from them land which was to extend as far back as a man could walk in six days.

Mignon (Penn) and some friends and a number of Indian chiefs started to measure it, and walked up the Delaware from the mouth for a day and a-half and then stopped, and it never was marked out till 1733.

They then employed a noted fall walker who made eighty-six miles in the remaining day and a-half. This disgraceful act made the first breach in the confidence of the Indians.

So at last we have the Indian side of the great Penn Indian bargain story, and instead of the cluster of broad brims under a tree peddling beads and trinkets for thousands of acres of land, we have the grotesque picture of a great pedestrian match against time.

It begins to look as though the tales of Penn and his peaceful Quakers might go tottering out of history along with stories of Pocahontas and John Smith, but it will take something more than a stray Canadian Indian or an historical sensationist to shake popular faith in any of those pleasant stories of good old times.

Freak of Nature.

Westmoreland Democrat. Twenty years ago a boy baby was born to Charles and Bella Leach, of Indiana county.

The infant was normal in every respect save as to the head, which bore a close resemblance to that of a puppy. The monstrosity was kept closely confined. It never spoke, and saw nothing of the world.

Death mercifully came to its relief last week. Of late years the head grew much like that of a fox. The mother, previous to the child's birth, was frightened by such an animal while picking berries in the woods.

Another Body Found.

Tuesday forenoon about 11:30 o'clock the search force discovered the remains of a body about opposite Vine street. They were taken directly to Grand View for interment.

Only a very meagre description was obtainable. It is as follows: No. 552, female, natural teeth, (some missing), No. 83 shoe, two scapulars, one with emblem, height five feet, very little clothing.

New Steps to Peconville.

Pedestrians from the lower parts of the city reach that part of the Thirteenth Ward known as Peconville and much of the Twelfth Ward by two long flights of steps. The lower flight having gotten into a bad state of repair, new steps were provided.

They have been moved, however, to a more easy ascent, some distance eastward from their former location.

A Fortunate Woman.

Mrs. Mary L. Baker, of Ovid, Mich., has reason to be very thankful. She was a great sufferer from heart disease for years. Was short of breath, had nervous system, pains in side, indigestion, faintness, etc.

After taking two bottles of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure she says, "I am better than twenty years ago. My mind and eyesight have improved wonderfully. I advise all persons thus afflicted to use this great remedy."

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ROTOR

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JOHNSTOWN SAVINGS BANK, May 31, 1890.

Table with columns: ASSETS, Book Value, Market Value. Rows include Loans on real estate, Cash in banks, Cash on hand, U. S. 4-per-cent bonds, etc.

LIABILITIES

Amount due depositors, June dividend, Contingent

Total, \$1,125,196 70

State of Pennsylvania, Johnstown, Pa., I, W. C. Lewis, Treasurer of the Johnstown Savings Bank, do solemnly swear that the above report is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. C. LEWIS, Notary Public, sworn and subscribed before me this 31st of June, 1890.

JOHN S. TITLE, Notary Public.

The undersigned Auditing Committee respectfully report that they have carefully inspected the foregoing Treasurer's report for the six months ending May 31, 1890, and have examined the Assets of the Bank, consisting of bonds, mortgages, and judgment liens, on real estate, cash on hand and in banks, and find the same correct.

PEARSON FISHER, V. B. LOWMAN, JAMES QUINN, Auditing Committee.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE.

Valuable Real Estate.

By virtue of an alias order of the Orphans' Court of Cambria county, to me directed, and being joined by Mary A. Phillips, widow of Peter A. Phillips, particularly described as follows, at Public Auction or otherwise, on the premises on

Saturday, June 28, 1890. AT 1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following described Lot or Piece of Ground,

Situate, lying, and being in the Fifth ward of the city of Johnstown, county of Cambria, and State of Pennsylvania, particularly described as follows, to wit: Fronting on the westerly side of Morris street forty-nine and one-half feet, and extending back the same width one hundred and sixty-five feet (165 feet) to an alley, having on the northerly side an alley, and on the southerly side lot low, or late of Gilliam Hoffman, George Brubaker, and others.

TERMS OF SALE: One third of the purchase money to be paid on the confirmation of the sale; one-third on one year thereafter, with interest; and the remaining one-third to be paid at the death of Mary A. Phillips to Lillian Phillips, her heirs or legal representatives, the interest thereon, in the meantime to be paid semi-annually to Mary A. Phillips, widow of Peter A. Phillips, deceased, during her lifetime. The deferred payments to be secured by the bond and mortgage of the purchaser.

JOHN D. ROBERTS, Guardian of Lillian Phillips.

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JOHN DOWNEY, CIVIL ENGINEER, Office on Stonycreek street, Johnstown, Pa.

A. N. WAKEFIELD, M. D., PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON, Office No. 43 Morris street, Johnstown, Pa.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—In re James C. HESS, DECEASED. Letters Testamentary on the estate of James C. Hess, late of Coopersdale, Cambria county, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement to the undersigned.

D. R. HESS, Executor. 109 Seventeenth st., South Side, Pittsburg, Pa.

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