

## MONSTER REPTILE SEEN IN TYLER HILL WOODS

BOA CONSTRICTOR TWENTY FEET IN LENGTH SEEN BY FRED GREELEY.

Other Stories Have Circulated Neighborhood in Past Years Concerning Existence of Monster Supposed to Have Escaped from a Circus.

Probably one of the greatest sensations that has visited Damascus in many a day was launched one day two weeks ago when Fred Greeley, a reliable and truthful man who lives between Tyler Hill and Gallie, went to Tyler Hill and told how he had seen a snake that was between twenty and thirty feet long and was as big around as an ordinary stove-pipe.

Mr. Greeley said that he was out picking blackberries on his farm, which is known as the old Greeley place and is situated somewhat southwest of the main line between Tyler Hill and Gallie, and while walking around among the bushes he started to part two bushes to go through them and in doing so he saw a log lying on the ground and was just in the act of stepping on it when the apparent log commenced to move. He ran back a ways and then saw that it was a monster snake, or Boa Constrictor, and that it moved along lazily with no attempt to harm him nor to run away. It gradually made its way into the thick undergrowth and disappeared, and the trail it left was just the same as though a large log had been dragged along the ground.

Mr. Greeley's story was called a joke by everyone who heard it except some of the old timers around Tyler Hill, who have heard of this monster before and took considerable stock in the story. Several years ago Sidney Brush and his sister were coming from Milanville along the Frosty Hollow road and they told at that time of seeing an extremely large snake along the road, but from that time to this it has never been seen, or at least it has never been reported. Possibly it has been seen but no one had the nerve to say they had seen it for fear that they would be ridiculed.

It seems a pretty big story to swallow but facts seem to bear out Mr. Greeley that such a snake exists in the wilds of northern Wayne. About fifteen years ago a small circus that was traveling over the Erie had a small wreck between Cochecon and Narrowsburg and the car that contained the snakes was partly smashed up and a number of the snakes escaped, among them three large ones known as Boa Constrictors. They went into the woods and for days efforts were made by the circus people to find the snakes but there were only a few of the smaller ones caught and the big ones remained in the woods. The probability is that one of these monsters is the one that has been seen in Damascus a number of times.

### NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

A number of bills have been sent out to subscribers who are in arrears. Have you received one? Time flies and a year rolls around before we are aware of it, and it is an easy matter to forget about the date printed upon the label of your paper. Look at it now. Are you in arrears? We are sure that you do not want to be classed with the delinquent subscribers; therefore, it is your duty to square up with this paper. You will feel better about it, and so will we.

### SOME FISHING (?) TRIP.

C. M. Harris, proprietor of the Globe store; Marks Bregstein, of the clothing firm of Bregstein Brothers; Robert O'Connell and Dr. W. T. McDonavill arose from their downy beds at 4 a. m. Tuesday morning and journeyed to Duck Harbor with the expressed purpose of spending the day at the sport of fishing.

That the four are enthusiastic fishermen will be seen from the fact that they forgot to take any bait along. They had it ready but it was left behind in the excitement of departure in the misty hours of the morning.

They arrived at Duck Harbor about five o'clock these fishermen, and being indisposed to fish probably on account of the fact that their thoughts continually reverted to the downy beds, they stretched themselves out full length on the grass beside the water and went to sleep.

It was noon when the four fishermen arose and their appetites were keen. Fish no longer interested them when they noticed in the barnyard of a neighboring farm-house, several fine specimens of the hen family. The farmer was willing and the quartette soon sat down to a chicken dinner that rivaled anything that had before tickled their palates.

Just where the fishing part of the trip came in will probably always remain a mystery except for the stores of the catch as told by some members of the party.

"Oh, sure," said one, "we had fish for breakfast, fish for dinner and still have some left." But we doubt

if any of the party were interested in the fishing part of the trip.

The congregation of the Methodist church of Whites Valley enjoyed their annual field day on Cliffs' Plains Wednesday. The day was ideal and a large number of people participated in the outing. The receipts amounted to \$212. An interesting game of base ball between the Aldenville and Lakewood nines entertained a large number in the afternoon. The Lakewood ball tossers won from Lakewood by a score of 3 to 2. The Whites Valley orchestra of Honesdale furnished music for the evening's concert. A royal time was enjoyed by everybody.

## YARD ENGINE JUMPS TRACK NEAR PROMPTON.

Evening D. & H. Train Held Up About An Hour—Passengers From 4:30 Train Transferred to Carbondale Train.

The yard engine of the Delaware & Hudson company running light with several empty cars jumped the track near Prompton about four o'clock Wednesday evening. About all the damage done was marking a strip of ties. An engine from Lake Ladore came down and pulled the yard engine on the track. Traffic was tied up about an hour and a half.

The passenger train leaving Honesdale at 4:30 in the afternoon was obliged to transfer its passengers to a train which had been called from Carbondale. The evening train due here at 7:30 was delayed about an hour.

### NO ASSOCIATE PASTOR FOR PRESBYTERIAN PULPIT.

Pursuant to the announcement a few days ago of a meeting of the Presbyterian society, such a meeting was held in the chapel of the church on Wednesday evening. A resolution was presented asking to extend a call to Rev. Jesse Herrmann to become associate pastor of the Presbyterian church. The motion failed to receive a majority of the votes. One hundred and ninety-five persons made up of members of the congregation and the church, attended the meeting. Rev. Dr. Charles Lee, of Carbondale, acted as moderator and presided at the meeting. W. H. Lee acted as secretary.

### CONCERT AND SOCIAL WELL ATTENDED.

The Men's Guild of St. John's Lutheran church conducted an ice cream social on the lawn back of the church on Tuesday evening. The lawn was brilliantly lighted by strings of incandescent electric bulbs. The Honesdale band had a joint interest in the affair and gave a concert during the evening which was well enjoyed. The affair was a financial success.

### VACUUM CLEANER MAN RELEASED.

E. J. Parker, a salesman of vacuum cleaners, who was arrested some time ago and lodged in the county jail on the charge of attempting to jump his board bill, was released Tuesday after all the man's obligations had been satisfied. Parker left for Scranton to begin over again and he had exactly \$1.20 on his person besides his baggage. For the dollar and twenty cents, Parker has Officer Canivan to thank for the latter disposed of two of the cleaners for him. Parker did not know for a time whether he would have to stay some time in the jail or not. He sent in the order for 18 cleaners which were shipped C. O. D. Parker was in jail and had no money to get the cleaners so that he could get money. The situation was complex but Officer Canivan came to the rescue and went around with Parker to the places where orders had been secured and collected enough money to pay all debts.

### BONEAR REUNION.

The second annual reunion of the Bonear family was held in the hickory grove of Clifford C. Gray, near Honesdale, August 13, 1913.

After an excellent dinner was served, followed by singing and prayer, an interesting business session was held. In absence of the president, Moses Bonear, vice-president, W. E. Bonear presided. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Elizabeth Bonear Roberts, Hoadleys, Pa.; vice-president, L. N. Bonear, Scranton; secretary, W. P. Schenck, Honesdale; treasurer, Mrs. Ada Bonear, Sanderoock, Hoadleys.

Those present were: L. H. Bonear and family, W. E. Bonear and family, John M. Bonear and family, Francis Bonear and family, Robert B. Bonear and family, William D. Bonear and family, Homer Bonear and family, Miss Annie Bonear, Miss Cordella Bonear, Mrs. Elsie Bonear Varcoe, Mrs. Elizabeth Bonear Roberts, Edward J. Wildrick and family, G. H. Sanderoock and family, Clifford C. Gray and family, A. M. Sanderoock and family, Mrs. Kate M. Mead, Charles Luther and family, Charles Middaugh and family, Frank J. Varcoe and family, Gies G. Schenck and family, Dr. Mead Schenck and family, W. P. Schenck and family, Giles E. Y. Schenck, George Sanderoock, Lester Male, Isaac B. Sanderoock, Miss Lillie Roberts, Miss Edna Sampson, Miss Alta Sampson, Miss Mary Sampson, Warren Sampson, Charles Tanner, and Ray Sanderoock.

Visitors: Mrs. George Wertzler and children, Elizabeth, Katherine, Helen and Ann B., of Germantown, Pa.; Elizabeth Davis, Pittston, Pa.; Howard Coyne, New York City. Seventy-three present in all.

Will meet again the second Wednesday in August, 1914, at Clemo, Pa.

### KILLED AT CALICOON.

A horrible railroad accident occurred at Callicoon on Monday at about 5:30 o'clock. The victim was a laborer named Edward Todd, a resident of High street, Brooklyn, coming to Callicoon a short time ago and securing employment in the gang under charge of Wm. Schute.

### FORTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Whitmore have issued invitations to their many friends and relatives bidding them to be present at the 40th anniversary of their marriage. The celebration will take place at their home in Inglehart, Tuesday, August 19, at 2 o'clock p. m. The Citizen extends congratulations to this venerable couple.

## How to Build Up or Tear Down This Community

By J. O. LEWIS

### The Home Merchant Has Earned Support.

**W**HY are communities, towns and cities? Have you ever asked yourself this question? Did you think they just happened, or had you ever thought that there was a special need for them? In the beginning of time—as far back as history takes us—we find that MEN HAVE BANDED THEMSELVES TOGETHER FOR MANY AND OBVIOUS REASONS, chief among which are the benefits to be gained from organized society as a social, intellectual, spiritual and commercial center. Collectively we are strong, forceful and aggressive and possess power and means to attain a growth which will give to us and our progeny opportunities for better living—to develop our moral, spiritual and intellectual life, the things for which we were created.

**THEREFORE THE SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS OF EVERY CITIZEN OF ANY COMMUNITY LIES IN THE INTEREST HE TAKES IN THAT COMMUNITY AND THE GOOD WORK HE CAN DO TO ASSIST IN ITS UPBUILDING.**

Now, then, if we are to succeed as individuals and as a community we must not only strive for our own personal success and welfare, **BUT MUST GIVE OF OUR WORK AND SUBSTANCE UNSELFISHLY TO HELP THE OTHERS.**

Everything we do to help in the upbuilding and advancement of our city we do just that much toward our own personal success. No man can live and prosper unto himself alone. **FOR WE ARE INTERDEPENDENT,** and, realizing this, if we as citizens will all unite and pull together for the common good we will prosper as a city and consequently as individuals.

Well paved streets and sidewalks, good sewerage system, thoroughly enforced sanitary laws, well regulated and energetic police force, competent fire fighting equipment and rigid building regulations are economic necessities and therefore they more largely affect us as a community than as individuals. But beyond this and underlying it all and upon which rests the foundation of the whole is **THE SUCCESS OF THE BUSINESS MAN.** This man makes an investment, goes into some kind of business—to manufacture or sell goods—puts his money at stake, employs labor and begins his work to build better. **THIS MAN IS THE CORNERSTONE OF THE COMMUNITY—the man you should rally around and support.**

**THE SUCCESS OF A TOWN DEPENDS ON THE SUCCESS OF ITS BUSINESS MEN, WHILE THE SUCCESS OF THE BUSINESS MEN DEPENDS ON SUPPORT THEY RECEIVE FROM THE PEOPLE AT LARGE, EACH BEING, HOWEVER, DEPENDENT ONE ON THE OTHER.**

No merchant can succeed without the patronage of the public. He is absolutely and entirely dependent on the custom of each and every individual who has a penny to spend, the little mite of each, taken in the aggregate, making the volume on which he runs his business. The merchant, having plenty of competition, must, in order to get the people's patronage, figure his prices close and offer to them the very best inducements possible.

The merchant pays large rentals, taxes, privilege licenses, insurance, besides employing many clerks and assistants, in order to maintain and conduct his business in such a manner as to meet your approval, and to succeed let me emphasize it again—**HE MUST HAVE YOUR PATRONAGE TO MAKE HIS BUSINESS PAY.**

This community has some as fine stores—every kind—and conducted by as fine a set of men as you will find anywhere on the face of the globe—liberal, big hearted, progressive men. No better retail stores, no better wholesale or jobbing houses, no better banks, no better mills, no better schools, no better churches, no better municipal or public utilities, can be found anywhere than right here in our home town, all—absolutely all—made possible only by and through the co-operation and generous giving of the business men.

But, my good friends, with all of these extraordinary accomplishments, there are some things being done today which are **STUMBLING BLOCKS IN THE PATH OF OUR GREATER GROWTH** and further development—differences, if you please, which we must reconcile and overcome if we are to continue to grow and prosper.

To be continued under the title, **"HELP YOURSELF BY HELPING YOUR TOWN."**

### DOG DAYS ARE NOW HERE.

The dog day season is here and the dog star will reign until August 26. It is during this period that dogs are supposed to become mad quicker than at any other time of the year. On the farm, pests and destructive insects are more numerous than at any other time of the summer, it is said. There has long been a superstition that the water in creeks and rivers is tainted and poisonous to the human body during the period known as dog days, but the average boy is willing and ready to take great chances these sultry days, as attested by the scores who may be seen daily enjoying a swim in the Lackawaxen and Dyberry rivers.

### GLOVER REUNION.

The annual reunion of the Glover family will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Glover, Whites Valley, Pa., Sept. 5, 1913. All relatives are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Ina Ogden, Corresponding Secretary.

### NO PLACE LIKE HOME.

A writer in a city paper says the reason why so many boys leave the farm is because the cooking is so poor. The man who wrote this didn't know what he was talking about. Cooking on the farm is like it is in towns and cities, some good and some not, but as a rule no class of people lives as well as the prosperous farmer. It is not because they do not have an abundance of good food that causes so many boys to leave the farm. We venture to say that most of the boys who leave the farm wish many times that they might take a few meals at the old home again.—Meadville Messenger.

### COMING EVENTS.

The boys of Camp Harlee, Laurel Lake, will give a minstrel show and entertainment at Laurel Lake House, Tyler Hill, on Saturday evening of this week. Proceeds to be donated to charities in that locality. The committee consists of C. M. Pethick, Tod Smith and F. E. Brown. Admission 25 cents.

## DISPATCHES LARGE BLACK SNAKE.

Mrs. Mary A. Schmitt of Swamp Brook Killed Snake in Field.

Our Swamp Brook correspondent sent The Citizen a story in which Mrs. Mary A. Schmitt of that place is the champion snake killer of the season.

The correspondent says that snakes are very numerous in this section. Three large rattlesnakes were killed near the Moser property on Sunday. On Tuesday as Mrs. Mary A. Schmitt, aged 70 years, was carrying a drink to her son, who was working in the field, she saw a large blacksnake in the path. Not being timid she immediately killed it. The snake lacked a few inches of measuring six feet.

### CARPENTER—SPANGENBERG NUPTIAL.

Miss Ersula A. Carpenter and Roy Spangenberg, well known young people, were married Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter, on Washington street, Carbondale. Rev. F. D. Hartsock, of the First M. E. church, performed the ceremony.

The attendants were: Miss Hazel Dennis and F. B. Fitch. The bride and her maid presented a charming appearance in handsome white gowns. The groom is telephone superintendent at Waymart, where the couple will reside.

### FUNERAL OF MOTT KEEN.

Fred I. Keen, of this place, attended the funeral of his brother, V. Mott Keen Tuesday afternoon at Clarks Summit. It was held from the family residence in Clarks Summit, Rev. G. E. Guild officiating. Many friends attended and showed their respect by many floral offerings which covered the casket. The pallbearers were: George, Horace and Conrad Keen, A. A. Secor and F. A. Stoddard. Interment was made in the Forest Hill cemetery.

### MARRIED AT JEFFERSONVILLE.

Mrs. Josephine Egger, of Jeffersonville, and George J. Menett, of Honesdale were married at the Presbyterian parsonage at Jeffersonville on Monday, August 4, by Rev. Stadelmann, says the Sullivan County Democrat.

The groom is employed by the Honesdale Milling Company and is well and favorably known in Honesdale. The couple arrived here last week and will make their future home here.

### WAYNE COUNTY NOT IN SCHEDULE.

Announcement is made by Deputy Secretary of Agriculture A. L. Martin of the schedule of dates and places for the holding of the farmers' institutes and movable institute schools to be conducted throughout the state during the coming winter months under the auspices of the state department of agriculture. The state has been divided into six sections and the lists of lecturers have been completed and assignments made to the several districts.

### DON'T DELAY IN BUYING CHAUTAUQUA TICKETS.

Honesdale has been districted and solicitors appointed to sell tickets for the Chautauqua. From all reports the sale is very encouraging, but some of the solicitors state that some people prefer to wait until next week. The tickets won't be any cheaper by waiting—\$2 is the possible lowest price for a season ticket—and when it is considered that this averages only 13 cents for each entertainment against 35 and 50 cents for single admission tickets, it is absurd to expect to get them any cheaper. Buy your tickets now.

### FRANK CRISSMAN THROWN FROM WAGON.

On Sunday evening as Frank Crissman was riding about in his carriage an unlighted automobile crashed into the wagon. Mr. Crissman was thrown out but fortunately was not injured. The horse ran away and demolished the vehicle. The autoist continued on his way.—Port Jervis Gazette.

Mr. Crissman was a former resident of Honesdale, having leased the Allen House a few years ago.

### WAYNE COUNTY PEOPLE AT REUNION.

Mrs. H. L. Renville and children, of Damascus, and Mrs. James Nyhart of Scott attended the fifth annual reunion of the "old friends of Green Grove" which was held Tuesday at Northern Electric Park, Scranton.

### WAYNE COUNTY COUPLE LICENSED IN BINGHAMTON.

Among those applying for and who received marriage licenses from the clerk at Binghamton on Tuesday were Herbert Telschow, of Waymart, and Henrietta E. Rogers, of Gravity.

### HAFLER REUNION.

On Thursday, August 28, the eighth annual reunion of the Hafler family will be held at Lake Ariel. Mrs. E. Secor, secretary of the association requests that members report all deaths, births and marriages to her.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

John W. Patrick, Niagara Falls, N.Y. Angle I. Thomas ..... Scott Geo. Sherrer ..... Salem Barbara Kizer ..... Jefferson, N. Y. Henry C. Peake ..... Hancock, N. Y. M. May DuMond ..... Deposit, N. Y.

### VETERANS TO MEET AT ARIEL ON AUG. 30.

The reunion of the veterans of Company B will be held at Lake Ariel on Saturday, August 30, instead of August 23.

## DROWNING OF IRED AT LAKE HUNTINGTON

JULIUS GUTHEIL, AGED 23, WAS VICTIM WHEN CANOE CAPSIZED.

Accident Occurred Near the Dittmar Place, Not Fifty Feet From Shore While Many People Watched.

Lake Huntington claimed another victim last Monday evening when Julius Guthell, aged twenty-three, of New York was drowned by the capsizing of a canoe.

Guthell, with his brother, Edward came from the city on Sunday to spend their vacation at the home of their uncle, Fred Botens, at Lake Huntington. Monday evening after supper Julius and a friend about the same age, Edward Graves, hired a canoe at McMurray's boat livery and went on the lake for a row. A canoe, because of it upsetting so easily, is difficult to handle and dangerous, except in the hands of one who knows how to balance it.

When opposite the Dittmar place and about fifty feet off shore, the canoe suddenly capsized and both young men were thrown into the water. People on shore saw the accident. Graves managed to keep himself afloat by grasping the canoe until he was rescued by a musician from the Nutshell casino. But Guthell had disappeared, and no one had seen any sign of him after he went overboard. About forty minutes later his body was recovered by Ed. Milks with hooks, in about thirty feet of water. Drs. Gain, of Jeffersonville, and Appley, of Cochecon, worked over the young man for a long time, but without avail. Coroner Schonger, of North Branch, made an inquest early Tuesday morning, and the body was taken home Wednesday for burial.

Guthell was a young man in good health, but it is thought he was unable to swim. He was a son of John and Margaret Guthell of New York, former residents of Narrowsburg.

### A JOKE IF IT WERE DISPLAYED IN HONSDALE.

The following novel sign appears on all roads leading into Hazleton: "Automobile Laws Strictly Enforced Here."

The manner in which automobiles are allowed to run in Honesdale one would not believe there were any state laws or borough ordinances restricting speed limits. If the Hazleton sign were displayed upon boards entering the different roads of Honesdale it would be considered a preposterous joke.

Only one arrest has been made this season in Honesdale, but it is claimed no fine was imposed for violating the borough ordinance.

### BASE BALL SATURDAY.

One of the best games of ball of the season will probably be played on the local grounds Saturday. The Crescents, of the Electric City, are considered one of the strongest teams in the Lackawanna County league and will come here Saturday to play ball, having cancelled another game in the valley so that they would be able to come here. The last time the Crescents were here they gave us a good tussle and we won only after a twelve-inning contest full of thrilling situations by a score of 3 to 2. Can we do it again?

### BATTING AVERAGES OF HONSDALE TEAM.

	A. B.	H.	P. C.
Tarkett	65	28	.437
Faatz	38	15	.394
Mangan	67	26	.373
Sanderoock	72	25	.347
Hessling	21	6	.286
Jacobs	47	13	.276
Lily	74	20	.270
Brader	71	18	.253
Schilling	54	13	.240
Weaver	47	11	.234
Larson	50	10	.200
Loll	35	7	.200
Vetter	22	4	.182

### BULLER IS GETTING AFTER POLLUTERS OF STREAMS.

Enforcement of the Stream Purification Law is Going Forward Vigorously.

State Commissioner of Fisheries Buller is getting after men and firms polluting streams with a sharp stick these days. After repeated warnings he has found violations of the law to be going on.

A few days ago an employe of the Riefler & Sons Chemical Works at Tanner's Falls, it is alleged, wilfully allowed some refuse to run into the stream killing a number of fish, and the department has directed prosecution to be brought.

A concern in Montgomery county which had promised the department to take care of its refuse, has again allowed some to run into the stream and the department has instructed a warden to bring prosecution. The law is plain on this matter of violations and anyone allowing any refuse to get into the streams must show in defense that every reasonable and practicable means were taken to prevent an accident.—Harrisburg Telegraph.

### CIGARS AS GERM-KILLERS.

Paris.—Tobacco is exceedingly efficacious in the killing of microbes, according to Messrs. Langlais and Sartory, who say their experiments have shown that in five minutes tobacco smoke will kill almost all the microbes in the saliva, thus nearly completely sterilizing the mouth.

One of the experiments carried out by M. M. Langlais and Sartory was to place several cigars in water containing many million microbes to the square inch. The tobacco sterilized and destroyed the microbes in 24 hours.

Harry Deck was a visitor at Lake Huntington on Tuesday.

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