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A Bank Voluntarily Closes.

We learn from the Chambersburg Herald that the Franklin County Bank has gone into a "liquidation of its business," or in other words, finding the business unprofitable, have concluded to wind up.

ON Tuesday last Gov. Wade Hampton passed through an experience, which probably never before fell to the lot of any man; he had a leg amputated and was elected to the United States Senate.

Congressional Contests.

BELLEFONTE, Dec. 10.—Gov. Curtin to-day served on Congressman Yocum a notice of his intention to contest the election. The allegations cover about eighty pages of legal cap, and claim numerous frauds.

Mr. Stenger has also signified his intention of contesting Mr. Fisher's right to the seat in this district. The better time to have made these contests, it seems to us, would have been on election day.

Since the above was in type we learn that Mr. Stenger denies the report that he intends to contest and says that so far as he is concerned Mr. Fisher will take his seat in peace.

Great Freshets.

From all parts of the country come reports of damage from high water. The following dispatches will give a general idea of the damage done:

ALLENTOWN, Pa., December 11.—The heavy rains of the last few days have swollen the Big Lehigh to immense proportions. This morning it is fifteen feet higher than usual.

MAUCH CHUNK, Pa., December 11.—The heavy rains of the past few days ceased this morning, and no material damage has been reported.

POTTSTOWN, Pa., December 11.—The Schuylkill river at this point is now seven feet above low water mark, but no serious consequences are apprehended.

WILLIAMSPORT, December 11.—The West Branch of the Susquehanna river is higher than it has been since the memorable flood of 1865. The lower portion of the city is completely inundated, and houses and fences are floating about in confusion.

A dispatch from Lock Haven, just received, says the large bridge across the Susquehanna at that place was in great danger.

As the water is within two feet of our suspension bridge, there is trouble anticipated from the Lock Haven structure.

The river is rising at the rate of six inches an hour. Several dwelling houses from up the river have floated through this city.

DANVILLE, December 11.—The North Branch of the Susquehanna is very high here, being within ten feet as high as 1865. Immense quantities of drift wood are passing down, but no especial damage has been done in this vicinity so far, except the loss of a large number of flatboats.

BOSTON, Mass., December 11.—The storm caused much damage at Westfield, Mass., last night. The latest reports from there state that the river is fully four feet higher than during the great flood nine years ago.

WOODSVILLE, N. H., December 11.—The through express freight train from Boston with two engines went into the river near Wentworth, where the trestle was swept away and both were badly wrecked.

RONDOUT, N. Y., December 11.—There is the largest and most damaging freshet in Rondout and Esopus creeks ever known.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., December 11.—The Susquehanna river at this point is twenty-two feet above low water mark, and is rising rapidly. The flats between here and Kingston are submerged.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., December 11.—Trains on the Hudson River railroad are now running regularly. The damage in Ulster and Greene counties by the storm is heavy.

SCRANTON, December 11.—Travel upon all railroads entering this city is interrupted. At Portland, Pa., the Delaware river has risen nineteen feet and a portion of the town is inundated.

Shot Dead by His Sister.

Mr. Richard Hotham, a well-to-do farmer, resides about one mile West of Hillside, his family consisting of himself and wife, a son, Joseph, aged about 21 years; Mary, aged about 18, and two younger daughters.

About 9 o'clock the dogs commenced a furious barking, and Mary, who had not yet retired, decided to go to the front door and ascertain the cause.

The repeated warning elicited no response, and the girl, seeing the supposed tramp still advancing, leveled a loaded shotgun which she held in her hand and fired.

The shot struck the man in the breast and her horror may be imagined when she saw him throw up his hands and almost shriek, "My dear sister," and

then fall to the ground. She recognized the voice as that of her brother, and, rushing out, she pulled him into the house.

An examination showed that the entire charge had entered the breast and penetrated the lungs. It is supposed that the brother had intended to test the courage of his sister.

A New Hog Disease.

The Hunterdon county (N. J.) Democrat says: A strange disease is prevailing among the porkers of Harmony township, Warren county, and in several cases have proved fatal.

Murder in York County.

Sunday a report reached York that a foul murder had been committed in Paradise township, at a point on Pigeon Hill, known as Moul's ore bank.

Miscellaneous News Items.

A man at Leominster, Mass., has been killed by inhaling the sulphur from friction matches to cure an attack of diphtheria.

The Court of Queen's Bench of Quebec has decided that a man who frightens another to death is guilty of manslaughter.

A novelty at the recent fair of St. Paul, Minn., was a team of elks, well broken to harness and very gentle.

John Sheets a hotel keeper at Bridgeport, Gloucester county, N. J. last week became religious joined church and closed his hotel.

A prominent and wealthy resident of Elizabeth, N. J. has been incarcerated in the Union county jail because of his refusal to pay his taxes.

A locomotive and six cars ran into a wash-out on the Troy and Greenfield Railroad at West Deerfield, Mass., Tuesday.

Mrs. James Tracy, of Plymouth county, Ia., saved up \$16,000 in gold, which she hid away in a cupboard, to be found after her death by her sorrowing and joyful friends, to whom it was a complete surprise.

A Chicago juror went to one of the parties in a lawsuit, while the trial was in progress, and said: "I'm on the make, and if you'll give me \$75, I'll guarantee you the verdict." The juror is now in jail.

A mob broke the jail at Bainbridge, Ga., at 3 A. M. on Monday and literally riddled with bullets a negro named William Cooper, who was confined for the atrocious murder of John McGaughey, a prominent citizen.

Widow Oliver was at the clerk's office in the City Hall in Washington on Tuesday inquiring about her action for breach of promise against ex-Senator Cameron.

William H. Devlin has just been convicted of murder in the first degree, in

Cambridge, Mass., on the testimony of his two little children. Mrs. Devlin's body was found lying in her house, fearfully cut and bruised, while on the bed lay her baby strangled to death.

The mail east on Tuesday afternoon struck a wagon—to which was attached two horses and driven by David Peightal, of Henderson township, Huntington county—at Schneider's crossing, about two miles below Huntingdon.

A special from Omaha says that two men in Nebraska City who were convicted of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to the penitentiary for life, were taken from jail and hanged.

The Cleveland "Press" says: Henry Goddar and Rufus Heysms were arrested in Cincinnati a few days ago, they having just delivered the body of a negro girl to the Miami medical college.

A young German woman at St. Louis has brought suit against Arthur J. Barnes, a shorthand reporter, for \$10,000, for alleged breach of promise of marriage.

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Dec. 18.—One of the severest storms since the eventful flood of 1869 has prevailed since yesterday morning, when it began with snow, continuing until 9 P. M., when it changed to heavy rain, which still continues with unabated fury.

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