

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Web Griffith returned home on Tuesday.

Theodore Evans, of Pittsburg, is visiting friends in Ebensburg.

T. A. Shurbaugh, of Carrolltown spent a few hours in town on Friday.

Mr. Joseph G. Caldwell, of Gallitzin, was a visitor to our office on Monday.

Editor Lloyd, of the Herald, was laid up with the grippe for a few days last week.

The sleighing in this place is pretty good. A little more snow would make it excellent.

Mr. Thomas Davis, (Mason), one of Ebensburg's well known citizens, is laid up with grippe.

John J. D. Hicks and wife, of Altoona, were in town on Friday, in attendance at the funeral of Fred W. Davis.

James C. Easty, Esq., and wife, of Carrolltown, attended the funeral of Mrs. Robert Scanlon on Friday.

Mr. John L. Stough, of this place, is about putting the finishing touches to the painting of the new addition to the Catholic church at Lilly.

Rev. R. H. Fish preached the sermon at the Union Thanksgiving services held at the Episcopal church in this place on Thanksgiving day.

Scarlet fever and diphtheria are prevailing to an alarming extent in Hollowood, Blair county. Forty cases of the two diseases are reported there.

Henry Seaman, Esq., and his sons, James V. and T. R., all of Carrolltown, were here on Friday in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Robert Scanlon.

Reverend Mrs. J. G. Davis, of this place, was laid up with the grippe for a few days last week.

Stanton Davis, private secretary to Congressman Harwood, is expected to return to Washington Monday, where he will reappear before the session of Congress.

Rev. Fish, of this place, will preach at the Episcopalian church on Sunday at 11 o'clock at St. Paul's and at the Baptist church in Hollowood on the same day at 3 and 7 p. m.

W. A. Scoulan and wife, formerly of Ebensburg but now of Johnstown, were here on Friday in attendance at the funeral of the latter's sister, Mrs. Robert Scanlon.

John J. D. Hicks, of Bedford, who has been ill for some time has taken a run for the woods and owing to his advanced age, but little hope was had for his recovery.

John Pavlik, a miner, employed in the Pittsburg Run Mine, near Patton, was caught by a fall of slate on Monday morning and badly injured. It is thought he will recover.

Mrs. John W. Shirkman, of Carrolltown, who has been dangerously ill for several weeks, has taken a turn for the better and it is believed that her recovery is assured.

A new type of influenza is reported from England, where the mortality is on the increase. It first attacks the throat, chest and eyes, and unless promptly treated, is fatal.

George Lehigh, a young man of this place, who has been in Altoona hospital for some time past, undergoing treatment for a diseased eye, is said to be likely to become totally blind.

George Crossner, a well-to-do farmer, who lives near Jeannette, was arrested on Friday with his three sons on charges of distilling and selling liquor without having paid a government tax.

Andrew Stramator, of Carrolltown, lost four head of young cattle last week and as matter of course would feel under obligations to anyone who would tell him where to find them.

A Hungarian was badly hurt in sports games at Ebersburg on Thursday by a big piece of coal falling upon him. His collar bone was broken, and one arm and other parts of his body were badly bruised.

Willie, the three year old son of Christian and Dorothea Dreaver, of Altoona, fell into a tub of hot water on Monday while his mother was washing and was so badly scalded that death ensued the next day.

The Railroad station at South Park was entered by burglars on Friday night, the entrance being made through a window which was broken. The agent could not discover that anything of value had been taken.

Our readers should not fail to read the advertisement of Thomas Brazier, of Gallitzin, in this issue of the Freeman. His stock of seasonable holiday goods is unsurpassed, and prices to suit the times.

Mrs. Sara O'Donnell, an aged Johnstown woman, fell on Saturday night with a lighted lamp in her hand, the lamp exploding and setting her hair on fire. Being no one near to render her any assistance she was so badly burned that death resulted.

A special grand jury on Saturday brought into court seven indictments against County Treasurer Arthur, of Bedford county. He is charged with having embezzled \$72,750 of state and county bonds and with the misuse of school funds amounting to \$400.

The dwelling house of John Flitz, corner of Third street and Fourth avenue, Altoona, caught fire from a heater in the cellar on Tuesday night and was completely destroyed. Some of the furniture was saved. The loss is estimated at \$12,000 with \$2,000 insurance.

Rev. Father Kittell, at present in charge of the Uniontown parish, was appointed to the position of Chancellor of the Pittsburg diocese on Monday by Bishop Pheasant. He succeeds Rev. Boris Canavan, who will leave the Cathedral on December 15th going to Ill. health.

On Tuesday night the show train of T. J. Witt at South Park, was entered by burglars and about \$50 worth of goods carried off. The money drawer was piled open but the proprietor had taken the precaution of emptying it into the stove. Entrance was effected by breaking the lock off the door.

The citizens of Carrolltown and vicinity are in contemplation of building a hall in that place for the purpose of holding farmers' institutes and other public meetings. At a recent meeting a committee was appointed to look up sites, etc., and the committee will report at another meeting to be held December 30th.

Mrs. George D. Frye, of Donohoe, Westmoreland county, who had only been married one month had her husband arrested on Wednesday for assault and battery. The brute had beaten her in a fearful manner, but her part of the loss and his only reason was her bad cooking. It may be probable that she deserved it, but there are plenty of women who have escaped for years.

Leslie G. Wilson, of Apollo, has sent the Kittanning Times a postal card containing 1,000 words written so plainly that it was to be read by the naked eye. He suggested that a few days later, enclosed in an old-style postal card, the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and one hundred and one hundred words be written on the card, and every word written clearly and distinctly.

Landlord Craver, of the Blair House, one day last week killed a porker that weighed 88 pounds. It was intended for a 200-pounder but Phillip Miller, who did the butchering, cut it a little too close.

The steam saw mill of John D. Eger, situated in Barr township, was destroyed by fire on Friday night. It is believed that the fire originated from a smoldering spark which had been left in a stove in close proximity to the mill.

A hunting party from Cooper township, Clearfield county, who have been located at the headwaters of Trout run during the past month, report having killed four deer, three bears, six wildcats, ten foxes and twenty-three pheasants, besides porcupines and rabbits too numerous to mention.

The Johnstown Tribune of Tuesday says: Miss Maggie Owens, formerly of Ebersburg, now of the Seventeenth ward, this city, took suddenly ill on Franklin street about a week ago.

Mr. Owens was helped to Porch Bros' music store and recovered sufficiently to be taken home on a street car.

If a train of cars moving at a speed of 25 miles an hour were suddenly stopped, the passengers would experience a shock equal to that of falling from a second floor window.

At 90 miles an hour they might as well fall from a height of three flights of stairs, and an express train would in point of fact make them fall from a fourth story.

Conrad Boland, an old citizen of Carroll township, who resided alone on his farm, was found dead at his spring, near his residence, on Thursday morning last week by his grandson, who went over to visit the old man. Mr. Boland was 84 years of age and it is thought that he had a stroke of some kind which caused his death.

On Monday the Blair county court appointed as receivers of the Altoona, Clearfield and Northampton counties, Messrs. Patterson and S. P. Langdon, the leaders of the opposing factions in the legal entanglements that beset that road ever since it became a topic of contention between the Pennsylvania and the Beech Creek Companies.

The dwelling house and outbuildings of Archie McHenry, situated in Loyalsburg township, Westmoreland county, were entirely consumed by fire on Wednesday evening of last week about 6:30 o'clock, caused by a defective fire. All his household goods were destroyed, and he is insured for \$15,000, upon which there is no insurance.

James Wortner, of Carrolltown, was seriously hurt one day last week by the explosion of a boiler at the factory of Mr. Wortner was working in the Wortner coal tank at the time and was engaged in filling his car with powder from the keg, when the explosion occurred. He is badly injured about the face and hands and it is feared he may lose the sight of one eye.

The body of Charles Gordon, aged 25, who was drowned in the Juniata river by a log jam on Sunday night. His death was reported by his younger brother, William, who had just returned from the scene. He was a native of this place and was a member of the local church.

On Tuesday night the Miller-Snyder family, who were visiting in Ebersburg, were caused by the growth of a tumor which was removed by a surgical operation some weeks ago, in the hope of saving her life. But the operation failed of its purpose and the many friends of the deceased will be sorry to learn of her death. We tender our sincere sympathies to the afflicted family in the great loss of a loving wife and a fond mother.

On Tuesday afternoon while the jury empaneled on the case of the Commonwealth vs. J. A. Noel had retired to the jury room to agree upon a verdict, William Deater, a juror, was stricken with paralysis, his entire right side being paralyzed.

The juror was summoned, who ordered his removal to the hospital where he is now lying. Those who have purchased them say the quality and temper of the blades are excellent.

A couple of Italian blacksmiths who did the blacksmithing in the railroad shop while work was going on in the Blacklick plant, have started up a cutlery establishment in this place on a small scale since the railroad work has been suspended. They are manufacturing pocket knives which they dispose of at 50 cents each and find a ready sale.

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Mrs. Evelyn Stearn, a former resident of Johnstown, where she has numerous relatives and friends living was struck by a section of Day Express, while crossing the tracks at East Liberty on Wednesday morning and instantly killed. The deceased with another lady intended getting on a local train and for that purpose was crossing the tracks when she was struck and fell. At the same moment the Express came thundering along and before she could get out of the way the train was upon her. She was literally ground to pieces, the head being entirely severed, the body frightfully mangled and scattered about the platform and track. Her remains were taken to Johnstown for interment on Thursday.

In speaking of tramps, a writer in the Century Magazine says: "It is in Pennsylvania, however, that the tramp is best in the Keystone state where a kindly, decent, clad rooster cannot get all that he cares to eat without doing a stroke of work in payment. He can travel, too, more freely than elsewhere, for the roads intersecting the state are the most friendly in the country. There is not one that does not harbor dead-beats at least at night. The jails are also a great boon for the fraternity. In the majority of them there is no work to do, while some furnish the daily papers. Consequently, in winter, one can see tramps sitting comfortably on benches drawn close to the fire, and reading their morning paper, and smoking their breakfast pipe, as comfortably and as calmly as the merchant in his counting room. Here they find refuge from the storms of winter and make themselves edible at home."

Court Proceedings.

Court convened on Monday 9 o'clock. After the calling of the bar list, and the presentation of motions and petitions the names of the grand jurors were called and twenty-two answered.

A. A. Witt, of Johnstown, was appointed foreman of the grand jury. Charles Witt was appointed constable to attend upon the grand jury. Afterward Mr. Wagner requested to be excused from the duty of attending and C. A. McGonigle, of Lilly was appointed.

M. F. Plummer, of Wilmore, who was convicted at September sessions of the law of some charge, was called up for sentence but on the representation of his counsel that his family would become a county charge if he was imprisoned, the court ordered that he be allowed to remain in the charge of his appearance at the next term of court.

The surety of the peace cases were then taken up and disposed of as follows:

The case of Emma Heibel vs. Cyrus Heibel, desertion, the court ordered Cyrus to ante up \$2 per week for the support of his wife and to pay the costs.

Hannah Shaffer vs. Jacob Shaffer, desertion. Jacob left Hannah some time in July last, as he claimed, on account of incompatibility, but the court taking a pessimistic view of Jacob's side of the case, directed him to pay \$2 per week for the support of his wife and to pay the costs.

Laura Lutz vs. William Lutz, desertion. In the hearing of this case it appeared that the defendant had left his wife, who was the plaintiff, in the care of a domestic, the case terminated, and as a matter of legal right the Allegheny county court will be allowed to settle the difficulties of Laura and her William.

Commonwealth vs. William Estep, surety of the peace. The court directed John E. Bibe, the prosecutor to pay the costs.

Robert Dawson, who deserted his wife, made no defense and was sentenced to pay her \$2 per week and costs.

Commonwealth vs. Augusta Mink, surety of the peace. Defendant sentenced to pay the costs and enter into recognizance to keep the peace with the prosecutor, William Kohle for one year.

Commonwealth vs. William Severs, desertion. Sentenced to pay his wife, Lena Severs, \$2 per week and costs of prosecution.

Commonwealth vs. Frank Powers, surety of the peace. Defendant sentenced to pay the costs.

Commonwealth vs. Barney Haney and Michael Holman, convicted of larceny at September sessions. Sentenced to pay a fine of \$10, costs of prosecution and five months in jail.

Commonwealth vs. George Aunkbauer, illegal liquor selling. Jury find defendant guilty.

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Real Estate Transfers.

Chas. S. Price to Chas. Griffith, Johnstown, \$4,000.

Chas. Griffith to T. B. Johnston, Johnstown, \$4,000.

T. B. Johnston to Anna M. Johnston, \$5.

J. L. Spangler, trustee, to Albert Flick, Spangler, \$100.

Albert Flick to McClennan Westover, \$2,000.

Alonso Rodgers to Thomas Costlow, Johnstown, \$100.

Albert L. Johnston to Sadie J. Brady, Johnstown, \$100.

J. L. Spangler, trustee, to J. C. Shook, M. D. Spangler, \$150.

J. L. Spangler, trustee, to James M. Gramley, Spangler, \$275.

J. G. C. Reager to John H. Strittmatter, Carroll township, \$400.

John Sanker to Angela Sanker, Washington township, \$1,275.

John Sanker to Sarah A. Sanker, Washington township, \$1,000.

John Sanker to Mary J. Sanker, Washington township, \$1,000.

John Sanker to Rebecca J. Sanker, \$200.

John Sanker to Joseph A. Sanker, Washington township, \$400.

J. L. Spangler, trustee, to I. L. Binder, Spangler, \$200.

Susan Luther to Mary Frances Kaylor, Carrolltown, \$180.

Christian Kelly Frances Thomas, Adams township, \$415.

Francis Thomas to Chas. C. Meek, Adams township, \$340.

J. C. Meek to Jacob H. Rose, Adams township, \$800.

Anna V. Rose to Jacob H. Rose, Adams township, \$800.

Charles Anna to William Pyles, Patton, \$75.

Emmanuel Custer to Isabella Custer, Stonycreek township, \$1,000.

J. L. Spangler, trustee, to Albert J. Feighner, Spangler, \$250.

William R. Ralney to John Messenger, Johnstown, \$600.

Anna and Sarah, trustees, to Robert H. Sayer, Richmond township, \$500.

Jacob H. Rose to Robert H. Sayer, Adams township, \$475.

Francis Young, George M. Schell & Co., Eldor township, \$100.

Charles Anna to Plus Anna, Patton, \$300.

James McClosky's administrator to Susan Seymour, Adams township, \$1,000.

Richard Young to Patrick McBratney, Tunneshill, \$900.

Patrick Adams to Cambria Fertilizer Co., West Taylor township, \$200.

West Taylor heirs to Jonas J. Weaver, Ferriday, \$300.

Ell Bushoff's assignee to Charles B. Ling, West Taylor township, \$300.

Charles B. Ling to Aaron Stutzman, \$200.

Lewis W. Buck to Conrad Keim, Stonycreek township, \$800.

J. H. Sloan, M. D., to Samuel Kelly, Clearfield township, \$100.

Paul Short to John C. Barnett, Carroll township, \$200.

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Local Institute.

Program of local institute to be held at North Park on December 10th, 1933. Institute will open at 1 p. m.

Music and singing institute. Benefit derived from local institute. Egan, William, Teacher in the recitations. D. J. Kline, primary history. K. A. E. Wallace, Laing, Clara Dumm, Low to teach primary geography. Clara Sawyer, Questions. A. Rawley, Busy work. I. S. McGee, The teacher and pupil. S. D. Patterson. The director: Casser Smith, The Nickle and Corridor. D. J. Kline, editor.

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