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PITTSBURG MERCHANTS POSTPONED PROPOSED TRIP TO WEST VIRGINIA AND GIVE REASON FOR IT

MANY MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATION TOO BUSY TO GET AWAY NOW

The business men of Fairmont will be disappointed to learn that the members of the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association have postponed their proposed trip to the leading towns of West Virginia. Every arrangement was being made to give them a hearty welcome, but a letter received by Mr. J. M. Jacobs, secretary of the Board of Trade, states that they will be unable to get away from Pittsburgh on account of the heavy press of business there. The letter explains itself and we publish it so that all may know why the distinguished business men are not coming at this time.

Letter to Mr. Jacobs.
PITTSBURG, Pa., Oct. 17, 1906.
Mr. J. M. Jacobs,
Secretary B. of T.,
Fairmont, W. Va.

Dear Sir:—
Owing to the very heavy press of business here, a number of our influential members are unable to get away just at this time, and it has been thought advisable by our committee to postpone our trip to West Virginia. We desire to thank you for your many courtesies to our business men, and we shall anticipate the pleasure of meeting you in your own place of business at another time, and of

which time and date, you will be fully advised.

Very truly yours,
JAS. W. WARDROP, Sec.
Cleveland Men Coming.

Although we are sorry the Pittsburgh merchants cannot come at this time, we are glad the members of the Cleveland, Ohio, Chamber of Commerce will be here on Oct. 31st, as previously announced in these columns. Mr. M. L. Hutchinson, president of the Fairmont Board of Trade, has called a meeting of the citizens at the Court house to-night at 7:30 o'clock to arrange for the reception of the Cleveland party. The business men of the city are requested to come out to the meeting to-night and lend a hand in the welcome to be extended the Cleveland party.

Coal City News

OCTOBER NUMBER OF POPULAR PAPER WILL BE OUT TOMORROW.

The Coal City News, for October, a monthly publication published by the Coal City House Furnishing Company, is being printed in our job department and will be ready for free distribution this week. In addition to the regular issue there will be a cut glass supplement of 4 pages printed on enameled paper, making one of the prettiest pieces of advertising ever turned out in our new job department. This issue will contain 12 pages, and 6,000 will be ready by Friday. Be sure that you get one of the October number of the Coal City News.

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Harry Mackley Like Harry Bishop Refuses to Stay Dead Although Officially Declared by Authorities

WHEELING, Oct. 17.—The dead keep coming to life.

Identification No. 2 in the river front mystery, that is, Harry Bigler Mackley, refuses to be dead. Like Harry Bishop, he also has had his funeral.

In the meantime, and once again, who is or was the dead man?

Chief Clemans discovered yesterday that Harry Bigler Mackley was driving a mule in a coal mine at Vandergrift, Pa. Incidentally orders were phoned back to effect the arrest of Mrs. James Davidson, of Bellaire, who identified the remains as those of her brother, Harry Mackley.

Continued in our Next.

It is all a very interesting chapter to perhaps, an interminable mystery and which seems good to be continued in our next.

When Mrs. Davidson identified the body, she made statements that led the police to think her brother was hidden away with by a man whose name she gave, and who had a grievance against Mackley because of an alleged wrong done to his daughter. To follow up the reported clue Chief Clemans, representing the city, and Deputy Sheriff Curtis Rice, representing the county, left yesterday for Vandergrift and Apollo.

Parents Surprised.

They discovered that the man under suspicion had worked steadily from October 4 to 8, contrary to first reports which caused the man to be placed under arrest there after word from this city. Then, when the chief and the deputy sheriff went to a club house for dinner at Vandergrift they saw Harry B. Mackley's name on the club register. Later they discovered his parents living up on the hillside.

Mrs. Mackley was surprised to hear the news of her son's death in Wheeling inasmuch as he was still in Vandergrift, employed in a coal mine operated by a man named Beck. When told that her daughter at Bellaire had identified the body of a dead man several days ago as that of Mackley the mother proceeded to brand her daughter as one of the most proficient liars in the country.

An Elopement Sequel.

And then came forth the information that Mrs. James Davidson, according to the mother's story, was sailing under false colors in Bellaire, and that she had deserted her husband and two children last year to elope with James Owen Hilty, who left behind his wife and seven children.

The elder Mrs. Mackley informed the Wheeling men that her daughter's right name was Mrs. Effie Walters, the legal wife of Reuben Walters, who lives twenty miles distant from Vandergrift, and that James Davidson was a name assumed by her paramour. She added that Hilty,

with whom she eloped, had formerly lived at Cumberland, Md., that the pair came to McMechen the day before last Christmas and later moved to Bellaire.

Orders Woman's Arrest.

Following this information the chief telephoned to the Wheeling office to have a message sent to Bellaire to cause the arrest of the reputed Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson, who are living at 3755 Harrison street, second floor, Bellaire, and Detective McConnell telephoned this to the Bellaire police station shortly before midnight.

Chief Clemans dispatched his information over the telephone from Pittsburgh. He said that he and Rice were anxious to catch the night train back to Pittsburgh from Vandergrift and that they did not wait to see Mackley personally, being thoroughly satisfied with the interview with the young man's mother.

The Second Funeral.

It will be recalled that Mackley's sister at Bellaire declared that she was an orphan, hence her story does not "gee" with the existence of Mackley's father and mother at Vandergrift. She was apparently sincere in her identification at least giving that impression, and was therefore allowed to have the body exhumed and re-interred on her promise to bear the expense of another lot at Mt. Zion cemetery. The body of the stranger had been buried first by the Bishop family.

Mrs. Davidson, or Mrs. Walters, declared that the ring on the dead man's hand was her brother's, of that she was certain, and she was equally certain in her claims of other tell-tale marks and tokens found on the remains.

The tattooed initials "H. B.," thought by the Bishops to stand for Harry Bishop, were considered to stand for Harry Bigler, Mackley's surnames. Needless to add, the local police were treated to a shock when Chief Clemans called up on the phone from Pittsburgh about 11 o'clock last night. All their hard work and trouble counted for nothing and they were back where they started.

Three Dead Men.

The stranger with a bullet hole in his head, was found on the wharf front at 5 a. m. Thursday, October 4, and a mark on the clothes suggested that he was S. K. Smith, of Pittsburgh. A few days later he was identified by the Bishops as Harry Bishop. A week later the remains were dug up and Mrs. Davidson identified him as her brother. Now somebody else will have to do some identifying if there are other claimants.

No possible motive for Mrs. Davidson's actions has been suggested. Altogether, the case is without precedent in local annals.

LITTLE GIRL BITTEN BY DOG

THREE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER OF ANDREW BERRY IN VERY SERIOUS CONDITION.

Mr. Andrew Berry, of Rosetown, left yesterday for Pittsburgh to take his three-year-old daughter Kathleen, to the Pasteur Institute to be treated for a dog bite. Fourteen days ago the child was attacked by a strange dog and badly bitten on the forehead. A physician was summoned who dressed the wound, which required several stitches. The child was recovering rapidly until on Tuesday, while taking a drink of water she went into convulsions. Since that time she has had several convulsions and yesterday morning she was taken to Pittsburgh. No news from the child has been received by friends here. She is a niece of Mrs. Harry Shaw and Mrs. Frank Reed, of this city.

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Letter copying press at Burdette's.

Sad Tidings

NEWS OF DEATH OF MR. JACOB WHITMER CAUSES SORROW TO HIS FRIENDS.

News has just reached this city of the death of Mr. Jacob Whitmer which occurred several days ago at his home in Tennessee after an illness of malarial fever. Mr. Whitmer resided here for several months and was employed as time keeper and pay master on the bridge at Houli. He left here in July for Tennessee where he had a similar position with the same corporation, the Clement Bridge Company. Mr. and Mrs. Whitmer resided for some time on Pierpont avenue and made a great many friends here who will greatly regret to hear of his death. He was employed as clerk in Randall's clothing store on Saturday nights.

Notice.

The city taxes for the year 1906 are now ready for payment, and all persons paying the same on or before November 15th, will be allowed a discount of 2 1/2 per cent, but no discount allowed after the 15th day of November.

JOHN S. SCOTT,
City Collector.

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CITIZENS OF MANNINGTON AND WINFIELD SHARE BENEFITS OF TAX REFORM

CUBA SWEEP BY HURRICANE

WEATHER BUREAU ISSUES BULLETINS TELLING OF FEARFUL STORMS.

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 18.—Cuba has been swept by a hurricane and it is feared that great damage will be reported from along the Atlantic coast as far north as South Carolina. Weather Bureau bulletins have been issued from Washington giving notice of the storm and warning vessels that navigation will be dangerous for 48 hours. Details of the devastation believed to have been wrought in Cuba are lacking as cable communication with the island has been lost.

Just before the cable failed last night a message stated that a great hurricane was raging there, that many lives would undoubtedly be lost. Great damage had already resulted.

Not a message has come through since. Late press dispatches last night spoke of the fast increasing violence of the wind and heavy rain. Among the severe sufferers were United States soldiers in camp Columbia just outside of Havana who had been forced to obtain their positions. Land wires to interior were reported down in all directions before the cable failed. A weather bulletin issued at ten o'clock this morning stated that tropical disturbances of small diameter but great intensity were then raging off the south east coast of Florida. An hour later a second bulletin of warning was issued, stating that the storm then extended from Miami, Florida, to Charleston, S. C., and was moving north east from the Florida channel.

BACK HOME

SECRETARY TAFT ONCE MORE AT HIS POST OF DUTY IN NATIONAL CAPITAL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 18.—The official holder of administration, Secretary of War Taft, for fourteen days provisional governor of Cuba, arrived in Washington early today. Taft expresses the utmost faith in the future of Cuba and that under the control of Governor Magoon conditions will rapidly improve. Satisfactory progress is being made to that end. Time, patience and careful management are the requisites, Taft declares.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 18.—Secretary Taft and Assistant Secretary of State Bacon were the first callers at the White House today. They immediately went into consultation with President the on the Cuban situation.

STILL MISSING

TRUSTED CLERK OF PARKERSBURG NATIONAL BANK WAS SEEN AT CHILLOTHE, OHIO.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 18.—There have been no developments in the case of Carroll Pickett, the trusted clerk at the Citizens National Bank, who absconded with \$2,800 of the bank's funds. It was first reported that Pickett went to Cincinnati, but a later report says he was seen to get off the train at Chillicothe.

Pickett's wife has turned over her home on Park avenue to the trust company which was on his bond. The furniture in the home purchased on the installment plan, has been turned over to Hall & Prescott from whom it was purchased, and the disheartened young wife has gone to her parents.

THE WEATHER.

Rain To-night.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 18.—Forecast for West Virginia: Rain to-night and Friday; warmer.

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SAME STORY OF REDUCED TAX TICKETS FOR THE MASSES

No matter where you go the same story is heard, lower taxes for the people at large under the new tax laws. Below are given numerous examples from Mannington and Winfield districts. The figures for Mannington include only the amounts due the sheriff, as the amounts for city taxes are not available for publication. The pro rata decrease in the city taxes will be the same, however, as the taxes for the county are based on the same valuations as those of the city. The only change would be the corporation taxes for both years, which would make no material change in the rate of reduction. The tax ticket tale is a very interesting one and we are pleased to publish it.

MANNINGTON DISTRICT TAX TICKETS.

Name of Tax Payer.	1904.	1906.	Reduction.
Campbell, E. B., Metz	19.39	13.90	5.79
Calvert, Elizabeth, Mannington	14.23	7.66	6.57
Carwright, Noney, Buffalo	44.87	29.73	14.78
Caseman, Mary, Glover's Gap	18.13	13.72	4.41
Caseman, J. H., Glover's Gap	5.34	3.95	1.39
Charlton, W. B., Mannington	39.99	33.48	6.51
Charlton, Mrs. B. F., Mannington	85.29	67.40	17.89
Charlton, John, Mannington	20.35	5.81	14.54
Christy, J. F., Mannington	51.53	46.17	5.36
Christy, E. W., Mannington	28.26	8.67	19.59
Clayton, & Co., M. C., Mannington	36.00	31.85	4.15
Clayton, Alphones, Buffalo	19.03	9.76	9.27
Conroy, J. M., Mannington	74.40	44.58	29.82
Coffman, C. C., Mannington	3.23	.95	2.28
Conaway, J. W., Whetstone	37.26	15.87	21.39
Crim, J. T., Big Run	63.50	24.95	38.55
Crim, Joshua, Big Run	38.33	19.88	18.50
Crim, E. E. and M. E., Joe Town	15.68	10.64	5.04
Crim, Henry T., Joe Town	58.47	28.21	30.26
Crim, Fred, Big Run	8.63	3.27	5.36
Crim, H. L., Joe Town	8.86	5.96	2.90
Crim, Chas., Big Run	23.24	7.94	15.30
Crisis, J. T., Big Run	119.49	62.15	57.34
Crisis, Zena, Mannington	19.14	15.14	4.00
Cross, Jas. A., Flat Run	13.98	6.11	7.87
Crouser, Geo. W., Big Run	9.12	6.23	2.89
Cunningham, J. N., Worthington	106.61	31.81	74.80
Cunningham, W. E., Worthington	126.73	69.09	57.64
Cunningham, E. J., Mannington	9.00	5.97	3.03
Cunningham, C. R., Worthington	59.86	28.57	31.29
Cunningham, D. L., Mannington	59.71	40.01	19.70
Cunningham, Jacob, Mannington	308.62	137.34	171.28
Cunningham, Jacob, Flat Run	2.47	.45	2.02
Cunningham, Dick, Mannington	17.38	11.60	5.78
Cunningham, John L., Mannington	17.19	6.78	10.41
Cunningham, M. A., Mannington	21.20	9.33	11.87
Cunningham, Nelson, Mannington	99.00	58.95	40.05

THE STORY AS TOLD IN WINFIELD.

Hill, J. A. and J. Merrifield	15.92	9.05	6.87
Hill, A. M.	8.40	3.97	4.43
Hoffert, A. R.	9.21	2.43	6.78
Hollis, J. W.	5.71	2.46	3.25
Holmes, J. M.	21.33	14.46	6.87
Hoult, E. H.	313.75	118.01	195.74
Hoult, Florence L.	41.83	15.35	26.48
Hughes, T. A.	101.12	49.19	51.93
Huffman, S. W.	7.40	2.31	5.09
Huffman, Amos	15.52	13.00	2.52
Huffman, Scott C.	8.31	6.39	1.92
Hunsaker, E. J.	43.81	23.03	20.78
Jolliff, Catherine	8.61	4.65	3.95
Jolliff, A. B.	34.83	21.75	13.08
Jolliff, J. C.	38.92	22.30	16.62
Jones, M. J.	16.42	6.53	9.89
Koener, F. M.	7.53	3.21	4.32
Kincaid, A. E.	6.41	3.95	2.46
Kincaid, J. E.	20.41	18.62	1.79
Kincaid, A. E.	6.41	3.95	2.46
Kincaid, Jas. M.	13.11	8.58	4.53
Kincaid, M. S.	29.02	22.47	6.55
Knight, Olive M.	10.61	4.08	6.53
Lake, Ila H., Sr.	41.81	33.89	7.92
Lawson, M. M.	4.91	1.22	3.69
Lawson, L. A.	18.51	6.70	11.81
Leeson, T. W.	2.50	1.10	1.40
Lynn, Samuel	39.71	16.05	23.66
Linn, J. W.	11.81	8.03	3.78
Linn, Joel L.	10.31	6.72	3.59
Long, J. H.	13.32	9.91	3.41
Malone, T. W.	3.51	1.32	2.19
Meredith, F. M.	119.53	91.32	28.20
Meredith, M. L.	77.01	37.32	39.69
Meredith, J. Q. A.	154.73	95.59	59.14
Merrifield, J. H.	9.81	7.38	2.43

To Be Continued.

Synod in Session

PENNSYLVANIA PRESBYTERIANS TO MEET AT LANCASTER.

LANCASTER, Pa., Oct. 18.—The Synod of the Pennsylvania Presbyterian church will open its annual session here to-night and remain in session four days. The district comprising all of Pennsylvania representing a communicant membership of a quarter of a million. Two hundred delegates are in attendance. This year's convention marks the anniversary of the Synod.

Mrs. Lizzie Arnett and Miss Margaret Arnett went to Riverville to-day to see their aunt, Mrs. Cunningham, who is seriously ill at the home of Mr. A. S. Pritchard.

MET TO-DAY

WORLD'S CONVENTION OF W. C. T. U. OPENED FIRST SESSION THIS MORNING.

Boston, Oct. 18.—The first session of the world's convention, Women's Christian Temperance Union, was called to order to-day by Vice President at Large, Mrs. Stevens. The five hundred delegates were welcomed by Governor Guild and Mayor Fitzgerald, of Boston, after which the secretary read a message of greeting and council from Lady Henry Somerset, of England, the world's president.

Mrs. Emily B. Cochran has been quite sick for several days at her home on Barney street.

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STILL GROWING.

On April 21, 1906,

An affidavit was made before E. S. Amos, Notary Public, showing that the bona fide average daily circulation of the West Virginian at that time was

2,506

Which was at that time the largest circulation ever attained by a daily paper in Fairmont.

On September 10, 1906,

another affidavit was made and which has been published since that time from day to day showing the daily average circulation to be

3,000

For the past ten days since October 4th, we have been printing daily,

4,000

papers which cover

Marion county

like two "Morning Dews"—90 per cent. of this circulation is within the confines of Marion county as we supply no out of town news stands.

A Wise Merchant

is the one who carries his advertisement in the columns of a paper of such good circulation, and the wisdom of his choice is shown in the fact that the CIRCULATION is LOCAL, within reach of his store.

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Come in and see the papers run off the press. Count our lists, look over the books, compare what you see with our sworn statements. Convince yourself that you are sending your store news and the story of your goods to the largest number of people, to-wit, over 4,000 daily when you use the West Virginian columns.

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