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WHOLE NO. 1576

A PECULIAR CASE. PROMINENT WEST VIRGINIANS ALLEGED TO BE

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The Herald says: "Coroner Davis told a Herald reporter that he had received a letter from one Jarrett Walmsley, of Beverly, W. Va., stating that Raimhild's injuries were the result of a frolic. Sergeant Gilbert, who made an investigation of the case, found that a party of five persons had been stopping at the boarding house. The names were: Jarrett Walmsley, Wesley Harding, Nelson Wilson and Stark E. Rowan, of Beverly, W. Va., and Edward Walmsley, of Huttonsville, W. Va. Coroner Davis also stated that Dr. A. S. Bosworth had said to him, while in a conversation about the parties from Beverly: 'I've just got a letter from there.' Dr. Davis asked him to let him see it. This he refused. Coroner Davis said, however, to the reporter: 'I looked over his shoulder and read: 'If there is an investigation for God's sake don't mention my name.'"

"This request was evidently complied with, for Dr. Bosworth was very reticent before the coroner's jury. The statements of witnesses all proved conclusively that the parties supposed to be unknown had asked the old man to drink. Then a species of hazing began. The old man's head presented a demolished appearance the next morning. The slats near the head were broken, and the springs were on the floor."

The Dr. A. S. Bosworth, referred to above as the physician who attended Raimhild, is a West Virginian, having formerly lived in Randolph county, and is a graduate of the Fairmont Normal School. Jarrett Walmsley was also once a student at the same institution, and both are well known all over the State. Since the above was written Mr. Harding, one of the parties named above, passed through here on his return to Randolph, and he says that only the Walmsley boys were arrested, as above stated, and that Rowan, himself and Mr. Wilson were taken along as witnesses; that they went as far as Piedmont, where the whole matter was investigated, found to be without foundation and the parties released.

GRAFTON ECHOES.

Miss Cora Thompson, of Bridgeport, is the guest of her sister Mrs. A. J. Wilkinson. Miss Fannie Late, of Bridgeport, is visiting Mrs. Frank Bailey, South Grafton. Captain George M. Whitescarver, who was sick several days last week at his home on Wilford street, has so far recovered at to resume his labors at Pickens, West Virginia. Miss Margaret Kenna, daughter of the late Senator John E. Kenna, is the guest of the Misses McGraw this week.—Leader.

Ada Gray, at Music Hall tonight.

THROUGH THE STATE.

The Development Company has located an important enterprise on the Belt Line, just below Sloan's Glass Works. The works will manufacture oil well tools, for the present. Mr. J. H. Donnelly, of Taylortown, Pa., will operate the concern. He has quite a large amount of machinery there which he will remove to this place.—Fairmont Index.

While a young man was riding a horse at Boothsville last Sunday the animal made a lunge and tumble and broke its neck. The rider was unhurt.

At a recent fire in Piedmont some miscreant cut the hose in three places in attempting to cripple the fire department. The authorities are after him.

The work of putting down the ties and rails from Morgantown north will begin in a few days, but it is not likely that trains will run regularly between Morgantown and Uniontown earlier than next fall.

Samuel Given, ex-Sheriff of Webster county, died at his home in that county last Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Gov. McCorkle has appointed Neil Robinson, of Huntington, a delegate to the World's Fair Congress of Bankers and Financiers, which meets in Chicago, and Col. Joe E. Chilton to represent the State of West Virginia at the National Convention of railroad Commissioners, which convenes in Washington, D. C., April 19.

The resignation of Hon. J. B. Sommersville, as a regent of the West Virginia University, and J. Hopp Woods, Director of the Reform School, were received by Governor McCorkle and accepted.

It is not generally known that President Cleveland is interested in mineral lands in Wayne Co., but it is nevertheless true. He has an interest in the Miller and Sands lands. Part of these lands have been leased to the Wells Branch Coal Company, and are being mined.

No little excitement and comment was occasioned in Oakland on Saturday last by the finding by Mr. Thomas J. Peddicord, of a woman's hand, that had been severed at the wrist. Two or three fingers of the hand had at one time been dressed by a physician. The hand was found under the Pritchard building, and rumors are rife as to how it came there. The matter was placed in the hands of State's Attorney G. S. Hamill.

Geo. I. Neal, a former University student, was elected mayor of Huntington last week.

The Supreme Court of Appeals reversed the judgment of the Circuit Court of Lewis county by which William Wooddell, administrator of Elmore Graves, was awarded \$3,000 damages against the W. Va. & P. R. R. Co. Wooddell was represented by Messrs John J. Davis and W. B. McGary, and the railroad company by its regular attorney, Judge John Bannon.—Weston Democrat.

Rev. Holden, of the Baptist church at Boothsville, on last Sunday baptized 27 persons who had connected themselves with the church at that place during the past winter. It is said that one of the largest crowds witnessed the ceremonies ever assembled in that village.—Leader.

(Friday) in East Lynne. Don't miss it.

EDITORS

To Meet at Martinsburg and Proceed

TO THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The annual meeting of the State Editorial Association takes place at Martinsburg May 10.

The citizens of Martinsburg are making extensive preparations to entertain the newspaper men and their ladies. Before starting to the World's Fair the editors will go on an excursion to the Antietam battle field, after which they will be provided with special cars by the B. & O. and transported to Chicago to attend the great international gathering of editors.

The following gentleman have been assigned subjects and placed on the program: Senator P. W. Morris, Stuart F. Reed, Hon. J. E. Curtis, Hon. R. McEldowney and W. L. Mansfield, Esq.

The meeting will be an unusually interesting one, and an enjoyable time is anticipated.

An Aged West Virginian.

Possibly the oldest person now living in the State, if not in the United States, is in the person of Aunt Eunice Conrad, of Cedarville, Gilmer county, W. Va., her maiden name being Mace. She was born in that part of the old State, now Pendleton county, this State, August 4, 1776, making her age 116 years 7 months and 23 days. Her parents, of German descent, were born in the old country. She with her parents moved to Bulltown, now Braxton, C. H., when she was about six years old, being the first family to settle on the Little Kanawha river. The nearest whites were at Buckhannon, about thirty miles away. The Indians were driven from Bulltown the day before her parents moved in, leaving great quantities of bear meat and venison. At the age of twenty-eight she was married to Jacob Conrad, and settled on Dust Camp Creek, Gilmer county, being the first to settle on that creek. She is the mother of 14 children, 9 boys and 5 girls, all of whom save her youngest, Henry, with whom she lives on Bull Run, have preceded her to the grave. She draws a pension of \$12 per month in consequence of her husband serving in the war of 1812. Your informant paid her a visit recently and found her well and hearty. Although her hearing and sight are somewhat impaired, she has the right use of her mind, and seems to take great delight in talking of her younger days. She makes her own bed, and is able to be about the house considerably. She says the last winter was the hardest she ever saw but one.

Fairmont Whispers.

Col. Ben Wilson, of Clarksburg, was in the city a short time Wednesday.

The opera house will be enlarged and provided with galleries.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of our young legal friend, W. W. Scott, Esq., and Miss Claudia Rice, both of Palatine.

Mr. M. D. Post, of Wheeling, spent last Sunday in this place with Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hutchinson. Mr. Post was recently appointed a regent of the Normal Schools. He is a brother of Mrs. Hutchinson.

Rev. G. M. Shott, the new Baptist minister, preached last Sunday morning and evening, at the old Normal Hall. The audience was large on both occasions. Miss Cora Ogden assumed responsibility for the music and her success deserves special mention.—Ex.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

The jurors for the coming May court will be drawn tomorrow.

R. S. Ogden will soon move to Clarksburg and occupy the small dwelling near Maj. Moore's.

You don't get fake reports about local happenings in this paper. We aim to give "straight goods."

Mr. Van Hurst, whose home burned a few days ago, has decided to move to this city.

Attorneys Lawson and Harmer have several legal notices this week in an other part of the TELEGRAM.

Mr. G. W. Swiger, of Olive, was here Saturday and left his cash subscription as did several others last week.

Frank Stuart has sold his very valuable Sycamore Dale farm to Mess. Maxwells for something like twenty thousand dollars.

Silas Dawson has arranged to operate a planing mill here, which he formerly used at West Milford. John Davis will be a partner in the business we are told.

The First Regiment band has been furnishing some very excellent music this week. We learn that a new organization of these musical artists will take place and Mr. Thos. Dolan will be selected as musical director.

Hon. J. J. Davis has our thanks for two very fine photos of "Victor," the magnificent thoroughbred St. Bernard dog, owned by him, and of whom he is very proud.

Mr. [Name] informs a few people that the "court house ring" nominated the Republican candidate for county superintendent. It is well known that Col. "Mac" Long has frequently been styled the "ring" by the News. Who would ever have thought that "Mac" would have "busted his gallowses" to get Mr. Arthur Clark nominated.

T. B. Beckley & Son, of Pennsylvania, will be at Stuart's stables next week, wanting a few good driving horses. It might be well to consult them if you have a horse to sell.

Mr. Allen Squires, who lived in this county, 20 years ago, has returned and lives with his father, I. B. Squires, on the Elk road about one and a half miles from Clarksburg. He left his order for the TELEGRAM yesterday.

The TELEGRAM desires to inform the many friends of Mrs. Dr. Ramsey that this lady is not dead as was announced in the News last week. The TELEGRAM heard the same report but took the pains to investigate it and found that it was a "fake." A letter from Robbie Ramsey who is with his mother, states that she is getting along very well.

Ada Gray, supported by a magnificent company, will play East Lynne, at Music Hall tonight (Friday). She is one of the favorite American actresses, having just played for a week in Washington with great success. She will have a crowded house here and it will be worth the money. She comes from Wheeling, and to-day's Register says: "A large audience greeted Ada Gray in East Lynne at the Grand last night. She is identified with East Lynne like Joe Jefferson is with Rip Van Winkle. The acting at the deathbed of her child, for dramatic intensity and stage power, stands unmatched in the entire range of the drama. Throughout the entire scene the flashes of dramatic fire illuminate the picture. The matinee Wednesday afternoon promises to be the largest in the history of the Grand. Miss Gray is today the greatest favorite among the ladies of any actress in America."

THE MORMONS.

How They Were Exiled From Illinois in 1845.

[These historical sketches are written for the TELEGRAM by a Mormon minister who many years ago lived in Clarksburg, but who is now a resident of Utah.—Ed.]

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ST. GEORGE, UTAH.

April 10, 1893.

We were now some ways out of the settlements. The waters of the Rio Del Norte were turbid.

In some places there was an immense amount of broken pottery-ware strewn all over the country for acres in extent. It had the appearance of stoneware, and some glass. There were some Mexicans traveling with the battalion, on their way over the Rocky mountains to trade with Indians. They said the Spaniards or Mexicans knew nothing about how such ware came to be there, and the Indians of the country have no such articles; much of it was nicely glazed and flowered.

One evening a number of the boys organized themselves into a debating club to pass off the time as well as to gain information on different topics to be brought before the school and discussed pro and con. I also took part in the debates.

Although living on soup made from the carcasses of poor, given-out oxen, thickened slightly with flour, (less than half rations) we felt well and had good times in our polemics.

We left the Rio Del Norte and traveled in a south western direction up a mountain, and at night camped near a natural reservoir in the rocks, the water being about 15 feet deep. This basin or well was some 14 or 15 feet in diameter.

The weather was warm and beautiful, the evenings a little cool. The guides said the month of November was the hardest month in the year and sometimes the snow falls waist deep to a man.

On Sunday, November 15th, it rained and camp did not move. Some of the boys went out to hunt antelope; when they came in they reported that they found a large vineyard with good grapes still hanging on the vines.

Near our camp were ruins of an ancient building about 36 feet square and containing five rooms.

On Monday, November 16th, we marched about 15 miles and camped by a small spring. Grass was plentiful but wood scarce, except fine brush, which we used for fuel. Here we saw as many as thirty holes cut in a large, solid, flat rock, from 12 to 14 inches deep and from 6 to 10 inches in diameter. These, it was supposed, were used to catch water when it rained.

Some of the company reported there was gold and copper there and that evidently mining for precious metals had been done sometime in the past. Near our camp some of the men found a lot of antelope and deer skins dried or cured and stored away in the rocks. They probably belonged to Indians.

[Continued.] H. W. BIGLER, St. George, Utah.

There were three hundred and forty-nine indictments for misdemeanors found by the Kanawha County grand jury, and 25 felony cases.

Mrs. Cleveland has decided not to accept the invitation of the Columbian Exposition Directory to be present at the formal opening of the World's Fair. She will, however, take part in the opening ceremonies through the medium of an electric wire.

MORE LOCAL.

The Australian ballot law will prevail at the election in May.

This paper publishes notices of deaths, marriages, births and financial failures absolutely free. Send them in to us, no matter whether you are a subscriber or not, we will give them a place. Remember that thirty to fifty words will tell about a marriage or a death in a neat manner, and when you get beyond this you are out of the free list and we will charge for extra space, if

Miss Cecil Watson, in "May Blossom," was very good and the play deserved a much better house than was accorded it here last week. It was unfortunate that the pretty actress was forced to pawn her diamonds in order to raise money. A prominent young society gent now carries the precious gems.

Prof. Zera, the spiritualist, performed his clever tricks before a medium sized audience on Monday night. His miraculous feat was to permit his arm, leg and head to be amputated in full view of the audience. At the conclusion of his performance, he called for four boys from the audience, and after tying their hands behind them, he placed a piece of pie on a chair in front of each and offered a prize of 50 cents to the boy that could first eat his pie. It was a most ludicrous sight to see the boys eating and the audience went wild. The prize money was divided between Jas. Sullivan and Jas. Criss, who were pronounced the champion pie eaters.

Lewis County.

The County Court granted liquor license to nine saloonists this week in Weston.

Three prisoners escaped from the county jail here Thursday afternoon and as yet have not been apprehended.

We will wager the price paid here for the acknowledgement of a deed that Lewis county has more Notaries Public than any county in the State.

Mr. William T. Bland has risen to distinction in Kansas where he is located for the practice of law. At Acthison, a few days ago, he was nominated for the Mayorality of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bennett have returned to the United States after a tour of foreign lands. They are now at Denver, Colorado, where they will remain a short time before returning home.

Mr. J. B. Fisher, postal clerk, has taken up his residence in Mrs. King's house on Centre street. Mr. Fisher has just completed a beautiful and cozy home in Clarksburg, but his employment compels him at present to make his headquarters here.

Clen Stout, son of Porter Stout on Freeman's Creek, was horribly mashed up in the machinery of a grist mill at Freemansburg last Wednesday. He was endeavoring to put a belt on the wheel and was caught by the pulley and dragged into the machinery while running. His body made several revolutions before the machinery could be stopped. When he was taken out his right arm was broken above and below the elbow, his leg terribly mashed and he was otherwise internally injured.—Democrat.

A number of large buildings at Chicago have collapsed recently in wind storms of no especial violence. Most of these structures were intended as hotels to accommodate visitors to the World's Fair. It is fortunate that they have fallen to pieces now while empty, instead of later when they would have been filled with guests.