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Behold still another effect of the late blizzard! The REPUBLICAN has shrunken to pigmy proportions. But we couldn't well help it. Our paper was late in its arrival, the storm and sickness interfered with our work, and we had to come down. It's the first time, and if our influence is sufficient to prevent a repetition of this week's weather, it will not occur again.

I WILL HAVE a car of Quarts by Monday, and one of Oval Plats by Wednesday or Thursday. Will sell at low price for cash, if taken direct from car. H. TAYLOR.

Blocked streets prevented the opening of schools Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday it was decided to close Central for the week. The coal supply is short, and no man can tell when the railroads will deliver what was ordered three weeks ago.

Universalist Church to-morrow, 10:30 a. m., Litany and the first of the Lenten Sunday morning sermons. At 7:00 p. m., Y. P. C. U. Wednesday evening, Feb. 22, 7:30, prayer and meditation.

The postponed Lincoln's birth day sermon will be preached to-morrow evening, by Rev. W. N. Osborn. A patriotic orders invited.

No wonder undertaker Prusch has such a smiling countenance. A fine twelve-pound boy has brought sunshine into his home.

Osgood & Co's shoe factory resumed work on Wednesday. Whitten's and Cunningham's are also running.

No electric lights this week. A car of coal is waiting, but drifts prevent its being shifted to the proper siding.

L. A. Hoyt, of West Philadelphia, was the guest of his parents, over night, Wednesday.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of Oak Grove Cemetery Association will be held on Friday, Feb. 24, 1899, at 7:30 p. m., at residence of Edw. Catheart, Main Road. E. C. LOBBELL, Sec'y.

B. F. Henshaw and family have moved to Second Street, near Peach.

The town finance committee's report is ready for the printer.

Death of Dr. Edward North.

All Hammonton was grief-stricken last Saturday, by the sudden death of Dr. Edward North. In his sleigh, well wrapped up to exclude the bitter cold, wearing a cap with ear-mufflers, he approached the West Jersey & Seashore Railroad—at "Nivison's crossing," a mile above Hammonton station. He was alone, and we shall never know certainly how it happened, but from the sleigh tracks seen later, the doctor evidently saw or heard the south-bound express—due here at 4:14 just as he reached the track, and turned his horse sharply to the left, but too late, and the locomotive struck him with full force, breaking his neck, fracturing his jaw, his shoulder, and his arm. No doubt death was instantaneous. The train was stopped and the body brought to the station, soon examined by Coroner Cunningham, and later taken home.

Dr. North was born July 26, 1841, came to Hammonton at an early day, received the degree of M.D. from Jefferson Medical College March 7, 1868, and returned here. As a skilled surgeon he was known throughout this section, and received highest recognition among leading Philadelphia specialists. Many mourn his departure, having learned to depend upon his skill and advice, and knowing no other physician from their childhood. His dearest friends were those who knew him best. Of his many deeds of charity, only the recipients fully know; they were done heartily, and he kept no record.

He represented Atlantic County in the House of Assembly for two terms; was for years a member of the Board of Education; was at the time of his death Health Physician.

A wife and three daughters mourn their irreparable loss. His brothers are Dr. James North, Atlantic City; Dr. Joseph H. North, Pleasantville; Dr. Wm. McK. North, Hammonton. His sisters,—Mrs S. R. Morse and Mrs. John F. Hall, Atlantic City; Mrs. C. F. Osgood, Hammonton.

Funeral services were held at his late residence on Wednesday, conducted by Rev. T. H. Athey. Burial was postponed until Thursday, because of the impassable roads.

Coroner Cunningham held his inquest on Thursday afternoon, in Jackson's hall. Constable Shackley summoned as jurymen Messrs. J. C. Anderson, H. Fiedler, W. M. Maxwell, Chalkley Sooy, J. L. O'Donnell, and J. T. French. A number of witnesses were examined, including the engineer, fireman, conductor and brakeman of train 265, and the evidence showed that the locomotive struck Dr. North's horse, throwing him far to the right, the sleigh was broken to pieces, the doctor thrown about thirty feet to the left, his injuries caused by the shock of the blow and contact with rails or frozen ground. The verdict was as follows:

The said Edward North was struck and killed by the locomotive attached to train No. 265 of the W. J. & S. R. R., on Saturday, Feb. 11, 1899, at the grade crossing known as the Nivison crossing in the town of Hammonton.

That the accident was due to a failure on the part of the victim to take proper precautions; but that the said W. J. & S. R. R. Co. is chargeable with contributory negligence in failing to properly protect the dangerous crossing at the point in question.

An unusual treat is in store for the people of Hammonton. A troupe of ten young blind people from the "Industrial Home for the Blind" in Hartford, Conn., will give an entertainment in Union Hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 28th. The proceeds are to assist in the work of the institution—a most worthy object. General admission, 25 cents; reserved seat tickets, 35 cents, for sale at Crowell's pharmacy. We see in New England papers very complimentary notices of the troupe.

Does it comfort you any to know that Philadelphia is worse off than Hammonton? Streets blocked, coal and food supply short, poor suffering terribly.

