

The Advocate.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1880.

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Ridgway Lodge No. 1644 meets on the 2d and 4th Fridays of each month at 8 o'clock.

New Time Table.—Under the new schedule the mail and local freight leave Ridgway station as follows:

Table with columns for Mail West, East, Local West, East and times.

Bananas, Cocoanuts, Sweet Oranges and Sour Lemons at Morgester's.

Flies or coarse boots and shoes at Jacob Butterfuss's shop Main street.

Sunday and Monday were very windy days reminding one more of stormy March than of the month of showers.

Ladies will please take notice that Jas. McAfee tailor has on hand a beautiful lot of new samples for ladies coats.

Trouth fishing acceptable to the laws of the State, commenced on April 1st and will continue during the months of April, May, June and July.

Spring and Summer samples of clothing at McAfee's over Powell & Kime's store on Main street.

If you want a sheet of note paper if you want a quire of note paper; if you want a ream of note paper, don't fail to call at THE ADVOCATE OFFICE.

Mrs. T. F. Bullers would respectfully inform the people of Ridgway and vicinity that she has just opened a fresh stock of groceries which she will exchange for CASH at satisfactory prices.

There shall be no hunting, or shooting, or fishing on the first day of the week, called Sunday; and any person offending against the provision of this section shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

Workmen are now busily engaged excavating for the foundation to the steps for the front of the new Court House.

Wm. H. Kemble has renewed his bail in the sum of \$5,000. While under oath Mr. Kemble was asked if he would attend at the time specified for sentence; to which he replied: "Yes, I will be here on the 20th if I am alive. I do not intend to run away. I cannot afford it."

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The Youcum-Curtin contested election case in which all our readers have a family interest, seems not to be much nearer a settlement than it was six months ago. Mr. Springer, chairman of the house election committee, makes a terrible effort about twice a week on the average to have a vote taken on this now world-renowned case, but each and every time thus far, a great big Democratic brother member has suddenly remembered that he had another little piece of business on hand of more immediate importance than the settlement of Youcum Curtin, on a vote being taken the other members of the house have invariably thought so too, thus disposing of the white-elephant for the present.

The pigeons are now nesting on their old nesting ground in Forest county. Hunters are continually passing through this village with guns and nets going in the direction of the pigeon grounds.

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Personal Items.

In this column we propose to give all the personal happenings coming under our observation.

—J. Powell is at Pittsburgh.

—Geo. Cady, brother of Mrs. C. H. Rhines is visiting his sister.

—Gent. Thos. L. Lane paid our village a business visit on Tuesday.

—C. V. Gillis, of Kane, made his appearance on our streets last Tuesday.

—Jerry Singleton has had the inside of his store newly and neatly fitted up.

—Miss J. L. Cochran, of Kittanning, now assists Mrs. P. Malone in the dressmaking business.

—We notice Hon. Chas. Luhr, Jas. K. P. Hall, and Gen. R. C. McGill of St. Mary's on our streets.

—Roll. Cobb, well known to many of our citizens was in Ridgway last week looking as well as he did at twenty.

—James Rogan is down from St. Mary's and again busily engaged hauling stone for the new Court House.

—J. P. Curtis has moved himself, wife, and household goods into the house on the farm recently purchased of John Cobb by Doctor Day.

—At the meeting of the Democratic County Committee last Tuesday, Juno G. Hall was selected as representative delegate to the Democratic state convention.

—At the store of W. H. Hyde & Co., may be seen, at least we saw it, one of the newest, neatest, prettiest, handiest, and nobbiest, baby carriages we have ever had the fortune or misfortune to have seen. It almost makes one wish to buy a baby.

—J. W. Morgester has moved his grocery store and household goods into his own building recently purchased of Geo. Rhines.

—The store room shows off to excellent advantage the goods displayed on the shelves, and is a great improvement over the one recently vacated.

—J. S. Hyde's steam mill near the Toby farm house was entirely consumed by fire on Friday last.

—The fire originated from a spark blown from the stack, while the men employed about the mill were at dinner, and had gained such great headway when discovered that it was impossible to save the mill.

—The loss is from \$8,000 to \$10,000, with no insurance. The mill was well stocked and the loss by having to wait to rebuild is of no inconsiderable importance.

—The work of rebuilding the mill will be commenced without delay.

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County Correspondence

Wilcox Knowledge Box.—We are having a little weather.

—"E. Nut" must be a bosom friend of Shorty & Coffee.

—Mrs. Latta of Friendship is visiting friends in town.

—The fair haired girl has left town and Shorty thinks he will follow suit.

—Darby has taken up his summer quarters at Reno.

—Miss Lucy Neering has returned home from Portland where she has been visiting for some time.

—Dave Parsons has returned from Bradford and is working at Dagus.

—That young man that had to slide logs has returned at last.

—Mrs. Cannon who has been sick has recovered.

—Sweden talks of leaving town.

—Mrs. Weining is slowly recovering after an illness of five or six weeks.

Pigeons are all the rage.

—Hank is following the fashion namely; pigeons.

ONE WHO KNOWS.—Fox and Vicinity.

—Silas Moyer and his better half made the ridge a visit last week.

—Bully w wouldn't try it again if it made us sick.

—The schools of Fox township were given out on Monday of last week.

—Has Frank found his teeth yet?

—They say the teacher of the Grave Yard school has the mumps. How is it D. C.?

—Rev. Hovis preached at Toby last Sabbath evening.

—H. H. Sawyer has again made his appearance on our streets.

—The school rooms at Centreville are being handsomely decorated.

—"Uncle Benjamin" speaks of the Man of the Moon in very high terms. Wonder if he knows anything about him?

—Hon. Jesse Kyler, one of the oldest settlers of Fox township, lies very sick. Dr. E. T. Williams is attending him.

—The Literary Association appears to be increasing in interest.

—Mr. Spooler is having a large blacksmith shop built at Centreville.

U. R. & R. U. MAD.

Report of the Grave Yard School for month ending April 8, 1880.

The highest class standing attained by any pupil is 100; lowest 90.

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Wilcox Graded Schools.

Principal's report for month ending April 2, 1880.

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Published by Request.

The following was written in reply to an article which was published a few weeks since in the Cory Weekly Herald:

The greatest of the christian graces is that of charity which "suffereth long and is kind," which can look with unprejudiced eye into the heart and mind of its fellows, and see virtue and truth written there, which ever sheds a radiance of light, and sparkles with the rich gems of faith, hope and love.

Such, we believe, is the truly catholic spirit of christian love, and no person is truly christian until they possess those higher elements of character which are embodied in the above text.

Harsh epithets, vulgar and abusive persons cannot emanate from a mind whose hopes are based upon the declarations of holy writ.

Christian love is that broad sympathy which can see the name christian written above the ensign of each denomination, and which can affiliate in spirit sympathy with sister churches.

We hold that the great principles of religion and truths, which are the foundation and bulwarks of every organization are sacred and should be and are dear to the heart of every true christian.

Matters of mere doctrine are of minor importance. The great question presented to the mind is, "Have I faith upon the Lord Jesus Christ?" "Can I follow the teachings of him who said, A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another?"

The distinctive features in polity forms, names, etc., of the various branches of the great christian church, are in the main, the work of finite beings.

Their great principles have their source in the mind of the infinite. While we may conform, for the time to the forms of the one, as intelligent beings, we have the right to carefully weigh those various forms and politics and change our relations without severing our allegiance to the principles of truth which are the uniting links which should hold in one common bond of unity and fellowship the entire church.

Any man, from honest motives and deep convictions, change his views and his position, it is his inalienable right. Much has been said recently in relation to the action lately taken by several gentlemen in their efforts to unite two weak societies into one strong and vigorous church.

For over two years this sentiment had prevailed among a number of those who have been the most liberal in their support of christianity, and have contributed most freely towards funds for the erection of church edifices in Ridgway.

The societies, in the main, draw their support from the liberal business men who are not members, but who recognizing the utility of churches, have ever given generously. These men have often murmured at the excessive church tax, and in their wish for a union have seconded the desire of some of the leading spirits in both Presbyterian and Methodist societies.

The heavy debt which had for years hung over the M. E. Church, was the skeleton which had driven from its doors many who would have knocked for admission.

Each society found it difficult to raise living salary for their pastor. Again, these people had worshipped together in former years, and it seemed possible and desirable now.

We have stated our reasons for action. We shall now show Rev. Squire's relation to the congregational formed here last Sabbath. When Rev. Squire came here he early informed the leaders in the church here of his determination to withdraw from the M. E. church as early as the close of the year, but that while here he should labor hard in the interest of the church.